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TOPICS AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

THE HEALTH OF VICE PRESIDENT WILSON —THE DISPOSITION OF THE GENEVA AWARD — THE VIRGINIA GOVERNORSHIP.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Private advices received here confirm the substance of statements previously published regarding the health of the Vice President. The paralytic stroke has left Mr. Wilson's features in a somewhat distorted condition and impaired his speech. At present he is under treatment for the restoration of his general health, preparatory to a more severe mode of treatment which must be adopted for the cure of the paralysis. Mr. Wilson is kept upon severe regimen, and disposition of his entire time is made in accordance with the directions of his physicians. He is forbidden all mental toil. It is by no means certain that he will assume the functions of his office at the coming session.

THE GENEVA AWARD.

The law relative to the investment of the Geneva award in bonds of the new funded loan is comprised in the following words: That immediately upon the payment of the sum of money awarded to the United States by the Tribunal of Arbitration at Geneva to be paid by the Government of Great Britain, the same shall be paid into the Treasury and used to redeem, so far as it may, the public debt of the United States, and an amount equal to the debt so redeemed shall be invested in the five per cent. registered bonds of the United States, to be held subject to the future disposition of Congress." This is the sole warrant of authority for such investment. It fixes the date when the connection of the Treasury Department with the award begins, and directs the method of disposing of that award. The amount invested in the new five per cent. bonds must be so invested that the bonded debt of the United States shall not be increased. The question of commission to the Syndicate of one-half of one per centum upon an amount of bonds which at par shall be the equivalent of $15,500,000 in gold, depends upon the construction of the last sentence of this act. The law is imperative that the investment shall be made immediately upon the payment of the award. The Syndicate, it is understood, will claim that, under their contract they will control the five per cent. bonds at that time, and that consequently, they will be entitled to their contract commission. The Treasury officials by declaring that no commission will be paid give practical authority for the statement that they differently construe the law.

NEW CUSTOMS REGULATIONS FOR THE NORTHERN FRONTIER.

Some days since announcement was made in these dispatches that a circular would soon be issued to commissioners of customs directing that, under certain conditions, lumber imported in sealed cargoes through the Northern frontier might be consigned to the place of destination without actual measurement at the port of entry. The following instructions relative to the matter were to-day issued to collectors: "The inspector in charge of the discharge of cargo from the car, vessel or other vehicle will carefully note the invoice quantity with a view of determining upon inspection whether the quantity on board overturns the invoice. As the carrying capacity of such vessels can be readily ascertained, it seems probable that the inspector can soon satisfy himself whether the vessel or car has or has not more than an average cargo. If after such examination and inspection and such measurements as he may deem necessary he shall be satisfied that the quantity does not overrun the invoice, he shall so report to the collector. Where lumber is actually landed at the port of first arrival it can be piled closely and measured in bulk, but when intended for interior ports, to be shipped under transportation bond, a careful inspection of it must be made either on board the importing vessel or on the dock, as the case may be, and the collector, if satisfied the invoices are correct, shall pass on them accordingly. Where such cargoes are allowed to go in bond to other ports without measurement the transportation entry should so state, for the information of the customs officers at the port of destination, so that a careful inspection may be made there also, and if the quantity is found not to overrun the invoice, it will be delivered accordingly." The same general instructions will also apply to cargoes of grain in bulk imported from Canada. Of course much must be left to the discretion of customs officers in such cases, and they are enjoined to exercise it in such manner as will prevent the perpetration of frauds upon the revenue, and at the same time not unnecessarily embarrass trade. It will be expected of them that, occasionally, and as often as circumstances may seem to demand, actual measurement of entire cargoes of grain and lumber will be made in order to actually verify the invoices.

AN IMPORTANT LOCAL POLITICAL QUESTION.

An important political question here is the query whether the City of Alexandria shall be reannexed to the District of Columbia. It is possible that the matter may soon become a political issue. Those who favor the reannexation claim that it can be accomplished either by the ballot or the courts. Those who urge the latter maintain that the act of retrocession was unconstitutional, and that upon proper action being brought in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, a decision to that effect would most likely follow. The argument as to the unconstitutionality of the retrocession is based upon that portion of section 8 of the Constitution which provides for a seat of government ten miles square. This argument is supported by lawyers of prominence. Persons connected with real estate consider that the reannexation of Alexandria would greatly increase the value of real estate in that city, which is not now salable.

NAUTICAL SIGNALS—LIGHTS AND BELLS.

The Light-house Board will soon give notice to mariners that on and after Aug. 1, a fixed red light will be shown from the beacon on Muscle Bed Shoals, south-east side of the channel, Bristol Ferry, Rhode Island. The apparatus is a lens of the sixth order, limiting an arc of 270°. The focal plane is 19 feet above the base of the building, and 31 feet above mean low-water mark, and should be seen in clear weather with the eye at an elevation of 15 feet at a distance of ten and seven-tenths nautical miles. The building is of wood, painted white, with a lantern and fog bell surmounting it. During thick and foggy weather a bell will be struck by machinery, one blow every twenty minutes. The Light-house Board will also order that a fog bell, located near the south-west corner of the sea-wall of Fort Lafayette, east side of the Narrows, New-York Bay, will be operated during thick and foggy weather on and after the 1st day of August, 1873. The bell will be struck one blow, and after an interval of twenty seconds two blows, then, after an interval of twenty seconds, one blow, thus alternating one and two blows at intervals of twenty seconds.

THE GUBERNATORIAL CONTEST IN VIRGINIA.

A considerable number of Virginia Republicans, who have to some extent been managing the canvass for the Gubernatorial candidacy in that State from this city, left to-night for Lynchburg, at which place the nominating convention will be held Wednesday next. Col. R. W. Hughes still seems to lead the race, and Major McMahon to remain his most formidable competitor. The statement is to-day made by the special friends of Hughes that McMahon has been brought into the field chiefly through the agency of those who are opposed to the present national Administration.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

KUKLUX PRISONERS RECOMMENDED FOR PARDON.

The Attorney General to-day recommended that pardons be issued to Felix Dover, Stephen Spawn, Evan Murphy, and Wm. Scruggs, who were convicted in North and South Carolina of Kuklux outrages, and are now serving out terms in the Albany Penitentiary. These pardons were recommended by leading citizens of South Carolina.

THE UNITED STATES EUROPEAN SQUADRON.

Rear Admiral Case reports to the Navy Department the arrival of the Wabash at Trieste on the 6th inst., having visited en route Genoa, Palermo, Messina, and Syracuse. The movements of the other vessels of the European squadron are reported as follows: The Shenandoah has visited Barcelona, Tarragona, Valencia, Cartagena, and Malaga, at all of which she interchanged the usual courtesies and found quietness and good order prevailing, though there were some disturbances between the Carlists and Republicans outside. The Congress has visited Gibraltar and Southampton, and at last reports, 6th inst., was about leaving the latter place for Galway. The Wachusett has visited Gibraltar, Cadiz, a port in the Balearic Islands, and Marseilles, where she was at last date, 28th ult., and after leaving that place, she is to stop at Ajaccio and Messina. Her arrival at Trieste was expected. The Wabash would leave on the 21st inst. for Corfu.

NAVAL ORDERS.

Lieut. Commander J. H. Sands and Ensign E. J. Arthur have been detached from the California and placed on waiting orders.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Gen. Drummond, Commissioner of the General Land Office, has decided that deposits of iron ore can be patented under the mining act of May 10, 1872.

Mr. Wadsworth, United States Commissioner under the Mexican and United States Claims Commission, met the new Mexican Commissioner to-day. They had a long conversation concerning the pending cases. The selection of an umpire in the place of the late D. V. L. Lieber will be preliminary to the formal resumption of business before the commission.

Wm. H. Brown has been appointed Internal Revenue Store-keeper for the Twenty-first District of Pennsylvania.

CONDITION OF THE CROPS.

THE JULY AGRICULTURAL REPORT—REPORTS FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—The July agricultural report has just been sent to the press. It represents an improvement in Winter wheat, but a decline in the prospects of Spring wheat, on account of unseasonable weather in some quarters, and insect enemies in others. The average in corn is increased in West Virginia and Minnesota, and decreased in all other States except Florida and Arkansas, where it remains the same as last year. Corn-planting was everywhere retarded by the weather, and in many cases corn has been several times replanted. Unusual complaint of defective seed is made in all parts of the country. The condition of cotton has been previously given. The reports up to July 1 indicate a crop 89.5 per cent. of an average, not including Virginia, where the culture is yet mainly experimental. The prospective yield of oats declined during June in the New-England, Middle, and North-western States, except Wisconsin. It was enhanced in all of the Gulf States, except Mississippi. Winter rye improved in Rhode Island, Connecticut, New-Jersey, Maryland, North Carolina, Mississippi, Texas, Arkansas, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, and Iowa. It remained stationary in Georgia, and declined in all the other States. Spring rye was below the average in all the States but five, the minimum, seventy, being found in California, and the maximum, 110, in Nebraska. Winter barley generally declined in the South and West, where heavy rains prevailed. Grass crops are generally improved in the New-England and Middle States; however, they were greatly shortened by the drouth. The late Winter told disastrously upon the fruit crop. The injury to apple-trees was more extensive than was apparent at the last report. Vast numbers of peach-trees were killed. The condition of grapes ranged from sixty-one in California to 827 in Nebraska, 100 representing an average. The average in potatoes remained the same as last year, or increased in twenty-two States and decreased in all the others. The Colorado beetle has extended its ravages eastward, being reported for the first time in several counties of New-York. It was still devastating in the West, but the farmers had learned in many counties how to destroy it effectually. The maximum condition of the crop, 111, is found in Georgia, and the minimum, 76, in Delaware.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 28.—The crop reports from Arkansas are very encouraging, rains during the past ten days having brought out both corn and cotton, though in the region of Jacksonport rain is very much needed. The reports from Mississippi are conflicting in regard to cotton, but corn will not yield more than half a crop, owing to the drouth. In the neighborhood of Okolona, Kosciusko, and Brandon, both cotton and corn will make a poor yield. In addition to the drouth, worms have appeared. In West Tennessee, corn will only yield half a crop, but the cotton prospect is fair.

THE SCHARFF-COULTER SCULL RACE—A FAILURE TO AGREE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

PITTSBURG, Penn., July 28.—The sporting men in this city have been greatly excited to-day by disputes relative to the single-scull race between Wm. Scharff and Henry Coulter, which was to come off on the 2d of August next, for $1,000 and the championship of America. The representatives of the two contestants met last Saturday night to select a referee and make the last deposit. Nothing but wrangling took place, and they adjourned to meet this evening. Scharff concedes everything but the starting-point of the race, which he claimed he had the right to name. Coulter stubbornly refused to give him that privilege. To prevent the race from falling through, Scharff then proposed to toss up and see which end of the course to start from. This Coulter refused. Scharff suggested that they select a referee and let him decide where the starting-point should be from. But all these offers Coulter positively declined. It is very evident that Coulter is showing the white feather. The sporting men, on hearing to-night the result of the conference, condemned the action of Coulter. Scharff has issued the following challenge: "I will row any man in America a single-scull race, three or five miles, for $1,000 a side; will give or take expenses, or meet half way between home and home." To-morrow Scharff will claim the deposit money on the ground that Coulter failed to comply with the articles of agreement by not permitting the starting-point to be named.

A PLAGUE OF GRASSHOPPERS

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, July 28.—During the last two days grasshoppers have been visible in the air, but not in large enough numbers to excite alarm. At this hour countless millions may be seen. Their general tendency seems south-west. Grave apprehensions are expressed by those familiar with their ravages in other parts of the country. The results cannot be other than disastrous should the clouds of these insects now hovering over this vicinity settle here.

THE NEW NORTH-WEST.

THE NORTH PACIFIC RAILROAD.

THE COUNTRY ALONG THE LINE AND THE SETTLERS—THE SOIL AND THE CLIMATE.

From a Special Correspondent.

FARGO, Red River of the North, Thursday, July 17, 1873.

One of the wonders of American enterprise is certainly this North Pacific Road, reaching out 500 miles into the wilderness, and opening to settlement and agriculture a vast region of fertile soil almost undreamed of before. Few people, except trappers or occasional pioneers, know anything about the "New North-west," lying north of the line of this road, and its amazing capacities for wheat-growing.

The road, this side of the Red River, is well laid; the cars, stations, and outfit convement and suitable, and every inducement is offered to draw travel and emigration. For the first 180 miles the line passes through wood land or swamp, much of which will ultimately furnish valuable lumber—especially the Norway pine—a commodity of great value already here.

The only romantic bit on the whole route is near Duluth, where the St. Louis bursts through the rocks, and forms a series of picturesque rapids. This, it is thought by many, will give a very valuable water-power hereafter. But experience shows that steam is more and more taking the place of water-power, and that transhipment is a great objection to placing mills anywhere but at the end of a route. The great benefit of a rapid river for lumbering is in floating down the logs; and the St. Louis, above these rapids, will bring down lumber for a great distance, and no doubt there will have its saw-mills. In my car were characteristic evidences of the attractions of the country. Before me sat a Finnish peasant and his wife, from Russian Finland, who were going to the Red River Valley to a Swedish settlement, to look about for a farm—evidently people of substance. They could not speak a word of English or German. A Norwegian was going to try his fortune; an Irish family, besides various American land speculators, were seeking the new West. Besides these, I was introduced to Rev. Dr. Rogers, who brought out an English colony last year of some eighty or a hundred persons. He had been to Duluth for another detachment of seventy, who were expected, The Doctor spoke cheeringly of the effort, said a few were disappointed, but that only two had gone back to England; that some were unaccustomed to labor, and found it disagreeable, and they were all too much inclined to charge their difficulties on him. From others, however, I hear a much more unfavorable account. They came in April, it said, before the snow left, were brought to a prairie location where it was difficult to get wood, had no idea of what American pioneer work was, and were horribly disgusted, charging all their ills on the unfortunate Doctor. As I saw afterward their little bare houses in the midst of the flat prairie, and thought what the ivy-covered cottages and hawthorn lanes and bushy copses and green hills of old England must have been in comparison, I could imagine that even thirty-five bushels of wheat to the acre could have hardly been a compensation. If they had chosen anywhere in the beautiful region near Oak Lake or Detroit, on this line, they would have found it much more agreeable. Many of them have, however, already not only pre-empted, but purchased, some individuals thus owning 800 acres of the best wheat land in the country. This is not uncommon. There are Norwegian peasants along the line who possess over 1,000 acres. The English colony is now fairly broken up. There is besides a New-England colony, and great hopes are entertained that the Russian Mennonites, a kind of Quaker sect of German origin, will settle to the number of 40,000 or 50,000 upon the Northern Pacific. But, as they have held out equal hopes to Manitoba and Nebraska, the prospect is not very definite. The colony system has some great advantages; it makes at once a social organization in the wilderness. These colonies have already churches, schools and lyceums, and enjoy much social intercourse. But, on the other hand, there is always much jealousy and heart-burning among them. The individuals are never satisfied with the land allotted to them, and believe that those who came first have cheated them. The leader, however disinterested he may be, is always suspected and accused of all the troubles which their own stupidity or laziness has brought on the colonists. The true plan seems to be, for people from the same neighborhood to go out together, but to take their own chances for buying land, and making the best arrangements possible. Then they can soon form villages and parishes among themselves.

One of the things which strikes me very much in these frontier settlements, is the self-denying and far-reaching work done for morality and civilization by the country pastors. In their quiet and unseen way they are everywhere laying the foundations for future order, law, and virtue; they call the minds of men and women, who are struggling intensely with material conditions, to things and principles unseen and eternal. They represent culture amid tendencies to barbarianism, public spirit where each man is most occupied in looking out for himself, and the obligations of purity and religion in a community who are quite ready enough to forget both. In the future Positivist millennium on earth, when the *universum* is worshiped or a ritual is addressed to the female embodiment of *L'Humanité*, there must still be, in some form or other, the silent believers and workers who live for truths which eye cannot see, and who trust in the ancient belief of a God, or society itself, at least on the frontier, would soon fall back to barbarism and beastiality.

It is really remarkable how aggressive, so to speak, the religious community have been in these new settlements. I met three different missionaries, working along the road. Churches are erected in the smallest villages. Everywhere the effort is to get the start of barbarism and lay the foundations on a moral substructure. The railroad itself does much to aid this influence; it forbids liquor in all its establishments, and even in the hotels which it controls; lumber for churches is carried gratuitously, and the newly-founded social organizations are aided in every reasonable way. The result is already a better type of community than one often sees in the old States. Many of the colonies, though not a year old, have already their own schools and places for lecturing and public instruction.

The really good soil begins near Perham, about 155 miles from Duluth. From this point for seventy miles to the Red River the land is superb. The most beautiful points are near Detroit and Oak Lake. There the country is a green, rolling prairie, the soil a black loam nearly twenty-four inches deep, with oak openings on gentle knolls, and sparkling little lakes in every hollow. The whole landscape, far and wide, seems like a park. This, of all others, is the portion for the emigrant. Here gardens flourish beautifully, and wheat yields from twenty to thirty-five bushels to the acre, while a short distance brings the farmer to market at the railroad station, where he can get usually a dollar a bushel for his crop. The timber is near, and water is easily got. Beyond this is more and more the flat, rich, treeless prairie—to my eye a most dreary place of residence. In this region, on ground flat as a house floor, several of the various colonies have been planted. But dreary as it looks to an Eastern man, nothing can exceed the agricultural capacities of this vast stretch of country, extending north and south of the North Pacific line. The colonists tell me a garden comes up with a rapidity you never saw further South. It has been supposed to be unfavorable for Indian corn on account of the cool nights, but many assured me the early corn did as well here as in Illinois. Wheat is the great product, and a net profit of $10 an acre is not uncommon. The Indiana men thought the prairie soil equaled their own.

The great point on which I questioned them was the climate. They all admitted the intense cold of the Winters, but almost every one found the climate healthier and more invigorating than a more southern one. "The cold was so dry" they did not feel it. Children would play without injury with the thermometer at 15° or 20° below zero. Many had been restored in health who had come with weak lungs, but those whose tissue was much consumed found the air too stimulating, and these often died after a short residence. Mothers said they had no trouble with babies there; that teething and the fatal "second Summer" were not dreaded. All denied the existence of fever and ague. And yet the quantity of surface-water, the bad spring-water, and the hot sun would seem just the conditions to produce it. The physicians, however, said that there was a remittent character to many other maladies which showed a latent malarial tendency. Typhoid fevers are not uncommon in many localities.

In respect to snow, the railroad men say that they were only blocked up two days last Winter, and no one of the residents speaks with dread of it. The road is carefully guarded against drifts by fencing and by tree-planting. On the prairies, however, one of those terrific snow-storms, which they still have here, must be very perilous for man and beast.

The Summer climate is most delicious. Our first day we had a heat of 90° in the cars, but so dry as not to be oppressive. In the night it cooled, and after another day the temperature was down to 57°.

The cloud effects at sunset on these vast prairies surpass anything I have ever seen.

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MR. BRIGHAM YOUNG.

THE SEVENTEENTH MRS. YOUNG SUES HIM FOR $200,000 DAMAGES—OTHER SUITS COMING.

SALT LAKE CITY, July 28.—Complaints and affidavits in the case of Ann Eliza Webb, seventeenth wife of Brigham Young, were filed to-day in the Clerk's office of the Third District Court. The complainant sues for $200,000 damages, alimony, pending the suit $1,000 per month and $20,000 for counsel fees. The case will be argued probably before Judge Emerson (Judge McKean being absent on a tour for his health) on the 5th of August on the preliminary points. Other suits of a like nature will be begun soon.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

The Milwaukee and Fond du Lac Air-line Railroad was completed on Saturday last.

George Hazro, a sailor, hanged himself in a house on Kearney-street, San Francisco, Sunday night.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, of the State of New-York, convene in Poughkeepsie to-day.

The President, accompanied by Postmaster General Creswell, left Long Branch yesterday for Kingston, N. Y.

Mme. Augustine Frazier was yesterday sentenced at Cincinnati to five years in the Penitentiary for medical malpracee.

Noah Ranlet, a coal-merchant, of Concord, N. H., was yesterday struck by a locomotive in his coal-yard, and instantly killed.

The Erie repair shops at Newburg, N. Y., were burned last night. The loss is estimated at $5,000. The cause of the fire is not known.

David Lawless, a laborer in a lumber-yard at Providence, R. I., was drowned in the river there yesterday. He leaves a wife and three children.

Mr. J. H. Moore, a well-known lumber-dealer in New-Orleans, was thrown from his buggy on Sunday, and died yesterday from the injuries received.

Charles R. Coleman, of Great Falls, N. H., committed suicide by taking a dose of strychnine yesterday morning. Deceased was fifty years old, and leaves a family.

J. J. O'Leary, of Worcester, and Pandeen Harrington, of Springfield, signed articles yesterday morning to row three miles for $300 at Springfield, Mass., on Aug. 20.

The Lowell *Daily Times*, Middlesex *Democratic Weekly*, and the Dover (N. H.) *Gazette*, all published in Lowell, Mass., by S. A. Hull, have been sold to J. Livingstone Hunt, of the same place.

The Fifth Maryland Regiment, last evening, had a grand assembly at Columbia House, Cape May, which was a grand success. A reception is to be given them to-night at the Stockton.

A large twelve-inch rifled gun and carriage weighing 70,000 pounds has just been received at Fortress Monroe from Fort Delaware, and will be placed in position on the fort during the week.

Government officers seized the schooner E. B. Phillips, at Commercial Wharf, Boston, yesterday, on a charge of landing a large quantity of Holland gin at Marblehead recently, in evasion of duty.

Sunday evening a young man named John Van Arsdale, a traveling agent for a New-York tobacco house, fell in a fit as he was taking a seat in the cars in the Union Depot, Pittsburg, Penn., and died soon after.

A delegation of the City Council of Philadelphia and other prominent gentlemen en route to the Pacific, spent yesterday in Columbus, Ohio, and were entertained as the guests of the city. After the banquet they left for Cincinnati.

Last night, the steamer Walter Brett struck against the support of a derrick at the Wright Engine Company's works, on the wharf, at Newburg, when the derrick fell, smashing the wheel-house and the hurricane-deck. No person was injured.

Assistant Surgeon Charles Smart, United States Army, who has been on duty at Fortress Monroe during the past two years, has been relieved, and ordered to the Department of the Platte. Assistant Surgeon Frank Meacham relieves him.

Gov. Ingersoll, of Connecticut, yesterday appointed the following gentlemen Commissioners for the new State-house at Hartford: Jeremiah Halsey, Alfred E. Burr, Nathaniel Wheeler, Austin Dunham, and William P. Trowbridge.

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO KINGSTON.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

POUGHKEEPSIE, July 28.—Ulster County is excited over the proposed visit of the President to Kingston, to-morrow. It is arranged for the Presidential party to leave New-York at 3:30 P. M., on the Mary Powell. On arriving at Kingston all will be driven to Gen. George H. Sharpe's residence. Wednesday morning early, a special train on the New-York, Kingston and Syracuse Railroad will convey the visitors to West Hurley, where fleet horses will be in readiness to carry them to Overlook Mountain, where they will remain all night, returning on Thursday, and on the evening of the latter day there will be a reception at Gen. Sharpe's house.

SARATOGA.

A RAINY DAY AND ITS EFFECTS.

DRINKING THE WATERS—LADIES' COSTUMES —THE RACES.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SARATOGA, Sunday, July 27, 1873.

One would think, to judge from the deluge of rain which the clerk of the weather has thought fit to favor us with yesterday and to-day, that some miscreant had opened the sluice-gates of Heaven's Croton Reservoir. The rain has come down in such torrents that the hotels on Broadway may be said to have suddenly found themselves by the river's side. Two broad streams of water are rushing madly down the hill in a sufficient body to enable any gentlemen who are imbued with the new passion for canoeing to fancy themselves spinning along the rapids of some miniature St. Lawrence River. It is ludicrously pitiable to study the chap-fallen faces of all the hotel guests who have not yet sought refuge in their private parlors or bedrooms, the furious gusts of rain having driven all from the piazzas. Rival mammas are looking daggers drawn at one another in the drawing rooms; business men are regretting, if not cursing, Saratoga for not having down the New-York Sunday papers; young aristocrats are writhing under the disappointment of missing the promised ride with their chosen fair over to Glen Mitchell or the lake; and all is gloomy, sombre, and subdued. The sporting men look especially dull, and regard with disgust the *convenances* of society which entail on them the forced abstinence of Sunday. There is much racing talk, but there is no racing, no pool-selling, and no play at the club. True, the club-house is open, but its luxurious and elaborate furniture seems to be wasted in their eyes on such a day; for some of the younger of those who patronize the club are almost ready to agree with the old lady who remarked, on visiting Green-Wood Cemetery for the first time, "that it would be quite a pleasure to be buried there"—that it would be quite a pleasure to be ruined in it. There is, however, one advantage in the day to those who are given to taking Turkish baths. They have had the opportunity for many hours of sitting in one free, gratis, and for nothing, without the trouble of taking off their clothes and without passing through the agony of being pinched and punched all over from head to foot in the same fashion that bakers knead dough. But to those who love not Turkish baths, the heavy, murky, damp, heated atmosphere must give a very fair conception of what the inside of a potato steamer would be over a patent cooking range. I am inclined to think that Mr. Lowell was wrong when he exclaimed, "Who'd expect to see a tatur all on end at being biled?" I can only say that I feel very much like a boiled potato, and that the sensation is by no means an agreeable one. Nor do I think that I am at all singular; for there seems to be a very general expression of opinion that it would be a benefit to Saratoga society if Mr. Jupiter Pluvius would good-naturedly join the rank of "monarchs retired from business."

We are fast settling down to the ordinary routine life of the Springs during the height of the season—water-drinking, dressing, dancing, flirting, driving, eating, and sleeping. There is the usual amount of angling after "big catches," and many a young married woman, after a long evening's chat in some retired corner of the piazza, as of old, follows Zerlina's example and sings to her chiding lord.

"Batti, batti, o bel Masetto!"

As to the water-drinking, it is greater than ever. No matter what spring you go to, you will find, at certain hours of the day, that you will have to wait the best part of five minutes before you have a chance of securing a glass. Some idea of the quantity of water drank during the day can be gained from the following fact: Mr. Johnson, of the Congress Spring Company, tells me that one hot day he had the curiosity to keep a tally of the number of glasses of water dipped from their spring. There were five dippers at work, and he kept the record for three hours, each dipper dipping three tumblers at one time. The total number of glasses of water drank during these three hours was 10,851. If this is not dipsomania with a vengeance on the part of the Saratoga water drunkards, I am at a loss to know what would be so considered. And what a fortune, too, the dipper-boys must make; for they get a small gratuity from nearly every party of water-drinkers!

In a former letter I said that the dressing here this year was more simple than that of last season. The remark was premature. It was so, but it is no longer so. The dressers came down just in time for the races, and Broadway is again resplendent with all the colors of the rainbow. When will women learn the truth of the old lines:

"Loveliness
Needs not the foreign aid of ornament,
But is when unadorned adorned the most."

So great has been the transformation as to gorgeousness in the ladies' dresses, amounting as it almost does to a change of fashion, that I have felt constrained once more to consult my old friend, Mrs. Seaver. She greeted me with the exclamation, "Ah, Sir! Saratoga is at last beginning to look its old self!" She told me that colored foulard silk polonaises, fully trimmed, are still *en règle*, but that far more elaborate costumes are fast driving them into the corner. She mentioned the instance of a bright purple silk, trimmed with white Maltese lace, large crochet buttons of purple and white, and looped without a sash—a leather belt with silver buckle taking the place of the sash. This striking costume was crowned with a hat made of scarlet velvet, trimmed with scarlet and black feathers. Some of the morning dresses have a sort of *figlia del reggimento*, or, more strictly speaking, *cantiniére* of a hussar regiment, look about them. It is not uncommon to see black dresses trimmed with gold facings and trimmings, and looped on the back, or rather across the back, from one shoulder to the side of the skirt with gold-colored cord. At the Congress Hall ball, the other night, there was a dress which caused quite a flutter among some of the ladies present. It was a black and white striped grenadine—striped, of course, for stripes have as great a prestige as ever. It was heavily trimmed with black and white lace, was cut square in the neck, and was looped up with a broad scarlet velvet sash and bows. Another dress was a silk of a very delicate lavender shade. Some exquisite black lace was thrown in a jaunty way around the neck and fell in shawl-like folds on the overskirt, with a loop up on one side. Black lace seems to be quite the rage for trimming for ball-dresses, for it is almost invariably used as a trimming when white lace is not employed. Many of the ladies seemed very partial to ball-dresses made of a thin, gauzy grenadine polonaise over silk of various colors, though the grenadine does not cover the sleeves or the lower parts of the skirts. These dresses are always worn with court trains, and are, doubtless, considered to be "killing" in their effect by their fair wearers, especially when they are trimmed from the waist and open all the way up the front, so as to show the silk petticoat underneath. Some of the white dresses worn to the Springs in the morning are marvels of needle-work in the way of what is called insertion. To my mind, these dresses and the Elizabethan ruffs are far handsomer and more becoming than all the colored and elaborate trimmings of more costly costumes.

But I am out of breath over the fashions. The fact is I have repeated my lesson of the day, or as much as my thoroughly unfeminine brain can digest in a day. You see I am not a M. Worth. I will part with the ladies and their habiliments with the Biblical quotation that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these, and then take refuge in a far less ethereal subject, the Cup Race of Tuesday. For many reasons this race is looked forward to with considerable interest. In the first place one of the great popular favorites of the last three years—Harry Bassett—will occupy a very prominent place in it. His racing career has been most chequered, a series of brilliant triumphs and ignominious defeats. But somehow or other it has always happened that when his friends and backers have given him up in despair and have even gone so far as to back his antagonist, he has again borne the colors of his stable to the front. Consequently, a vast number of people think that it is his turn to win, and they cuddle themselves over this idea with the knowledge that his career as a race-horse is fast drawing to a close, and that his running now will have incalculable influence in regulating his future value, and that he must be run to win. This, of course, is all very plausible and comforting to those who put faith in such arguments; but if, as it is currently rumored, the horse is not in high condition for racing, and has not had sufficient work of late, it seems improbable that he can win the cup from such a horse as Wanderer. Mr. McCormack's horse is in splendid condition, and will compete with Bassett for the position of first favorite. And then, too, there is Mr. Chamberlin's horse True Blue, a horse which, in racing parlance, is decidedly dangerous. Nor are Mr. Crouse's friends despondent about Business. Altogether, although the field for the cup race is not a large one, there is every prospect of its being a most interesting and exciting one.

Speaking about the races, I hear from a variety of sources that it is owing to the supineness of the hotel-keepers that the first race meeting has been so long delayed. I am assured that not only did some of them object to contributing their usual quota to the race fund for the purses, &c., but that one or two of them have actually refused to pay the money which they did agree to contribute to the race fund of last year, and that over their own signatures. They have paid very dearly for it, but they have learned a useful lesson. They imbibed the false notion that Saratoga could get along without the races. They have found out their mistake; but their mistake cost them just one fortnight of their season. I do not, of course, desire or intend to put down the racing in the same category as gambling, but extreme comparisons are sometimes very good argument. I have before me at this moment a private letter from a friend who is staying at Spa. It says: "Spa is not at all full. Bills of rooms and houses to let are everywhere to be seen. According to the published statement of the authorities, there are only 2,000 visitors here this year, against from 12,000 to 15,000 in former seasons. The gaming tables were evidently the great attraction." The race meetings are undoubtedly the great attractions at Saratoga, and if the hotel proprietors withdraw their pecuniary support from the Racing Association, they will be guilty of the extreme folly of cutting off their noses to spite their faces.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE THIRD DAY OF THE MEETING—THE STARTERS—POOL-SELLING.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SARATOGA, N. Y., July 28.—Great preparations are being made for the races to-morrow, it being the third day of the meeting. Large numbers of people are arriving by every train to witness the contest for the Saratoga Cup, the principal event of the day. The sport is to open with the Saratoga Stakes for two-year olds, three-quarters of a mile, in which there are thirty-eight nominations, and six stables are announced to send representatives to the post. These are Denison & Crawford, who have a ch. f. by Leamington, out of Julietta; D. McDaniel & Co., who have a b. c. by Julius, b. f. by Leamington, and br. f. by Asteroid, out of Harry Bassett's dam; Hunter & Travers, who have nine entries; A. Belmont, who has five, among them King Amadeus and Theodora; F. Morris, who has Regardless, a b. c. by Monday, and a b. c. by Eclipse, out of Slasher Barbarity mare, and M. A. Littell, who will start the Brother to Inverary. The second race is the Saratoga Cup for all ages, two miles and a quarter, and out of the fifteen entries four will probably be at the post, viz.: D. McDaniel & Co.'s ch. h. Harry Bassett, 5 years, and ch. c. Joe Daniels, 4 years; John F. Chamberlin's b. c. True Blue, 4 years, and Rice & McCormack's ch. h. Wanderer, 5 years. The third race is a selling race for all ages, one mile and a quarter, and the starters will be Ortolan, 122 pounds; Bingaman, 102 pounds; Winesap, 96 pounds; Gray Planet, 96 pounds; Chickabiddy, 96 pounds; Business, 93 pounds; Wheatly, 93 pounds; Artist, 83 pounds; Sue Ryder, 90 pounds, and R. W. Cameron's colt, by Leamington, 75 pounds. There were no pools sold on the Saratoga Cup race, in consequence of Col. McDaniel refusing to state whether he will start Harry Bassett, and Dr. Underwood was ordered not to sell pools on it. The rates obtained on the other races were as follows:

SARATOGA STAKES.

Hunter & Travers	$155	$160	$250
Belmont	150	155	215
Morris	170	180	245
Littell	60	55	75
McDaniel	55	50	60
Denison & Crawford	45	33	55

SELLING RACE.

Artist	$235	$150	$160
Ortolan	170	140	125
Business	110	105	105
Chickabiddy	110	100	100
Bingaman	125	70	
Gray Planet	70	75	
Sue Ryder	80		
Wheatly	40		
Winesap	10		
Cameron's colt	10		

The last five as a field in second pool $120. It is raining slightly.

POOL-SELLING IN THE CITY.

Johnson & Burns' pool-rooms were particularly well filled last night, and bidding on the Saratoga Cup and the Saratoga Stakes was very lively. No pools were sold on the Selling Stakes. The following are the prices realized:

SARATOGA CUP.

Rice & McCormack	$85	$95	$100	$80	$85
McDaniel	65	75	100	70	65
Chamberlin	13	--	16	10	14

SARATOGA STAKES.

Belmont	$55	$55	$50	$55
Hunter & Travers	27	27	25	27
Morris	26	26	25	26
Field	28	30	32	29

THE WEATHER.

SYNOPSIS AND PROBABILITIES.

WASHINGTON, July 29—1 A. M.—The barometer has fallen since Sunday night throughout the Southern and Middle States, the Ohio Valley and lake region; the temperature has fallen in the extreme North-west, but risen in the middle Atlantic States; light southerly winds and calms prevail, with partly cloudy and clear weather, over the Southern States and Ohio Valley; fresh southerly winds and partly cloudy or foggy weather on the Middle and East Atlantic coast; numerous local storms have occurred throughout the country east of the Mississippi, and are now reported from the lower lake region; northerly winds, partly cloudy and clear weather prevail throughout the North-west.

PROBABILITIES.

On Tuesday for the Southern States rising barometer, south-west and south-east winds, partly cloudy or clear weather; *for the Middle and Eastern States, south and west winds, falling barometer, higher temperature and partly cloudy weather, with numerous local storms*; for the lower lake region, variable, followed by north west winds, partly cloudy and clearing weather; for the upper lakes and North-west, rising barometer, north-westerly winds, lower temperature, and generally clear weather.

IN THE CITY.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature yesterday, with the average for the same, as indicated by the thermometer at Dickinson's drug-store, No. 3 Park-row: 3 A. M., 72°; 6 A. M., 73½°; 9 A. M., 75°; 12 M., 78°; 3 P. M., 83°; 6 P. M., 77°; 9 P. M., 74½°; 12 P. M., 70°. Average temperature yesterday, 75⅜°.

THE KUKLUX IN KENTUCKY—A MAN KILLED AND HIS HOUSE BURNED.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 28.—A band of Kuklux made an attack upon the farm of Mrs. Mason Brown, mother of Hon. B. Grats Brown, in Owen County, Kentucky, on Friday night, killed Louis Wilson, (colored,) burned his house, and damaged other farm property. The farm contains large growing crops of tobacco and corn, which it will be difficult to harvest in the absence of labor driven off by Kuklux. Other farms were also visited and warned not to employ negroes as workmen. It is said the Kuklux came from Henry County.

LATEST NEWS BY CABLE

SPAIN.

A SEVERE ENGAGEMENT REPORTED TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

BAYONNE, July 28.—It is reported that a severe engagement has taken place near Pampeluna between the Republicans and Carlists, in which the latter were successful. Two guns and 300 prisoners are said to have been captured by the Royalists.

A LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF ARMS FOR THE CARLISTS—DON CARLOS NEAR VITT

THE CITY PRISON.

PROPOSED SITES FOR THE NEW BUILDING.

MEETING OF THE PRISON COMMISSION—REVIEW OF THE SUBJECT BY CONTROLLER GREEN.

The commission appointed by the last Legislature to locate and erect a new City Prison instead of the Tombs, met yesterday in the Mayor's office. All the members, consisting of Mayor Havemeyer, Controller Green, and Mr. Vance, the President of the Board of Aldermen, were present. At a previous meeting the Controller was appointed to collect facts in relation to the most eligible site for a building, with a view to facilitate the work of the board. Mayor Havemeyer called the commission to order, after which Mr. Green presented the following report:

To Hon. William F. Havemeyer, Mayor; Hon. Samuel B. H. Vance, President of the Board of Aldermen, who, with the Controller, are Commissioners for the Erection of the New City Prison and Bridewell:

At a meeting of the Commission, held on the 11th of June, 1873, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Controller to collect such information as in his judgment may be necessary to enable the Commissioners designated by chapter 536 of the Laws of 1873, to carry the provisions of said act into effect, and to report the same at their next meeting.

I have given the sub'ect such attention as my other occupations would admit, and present the following several considerations:

As Bellevue Hospital has been named and somewhat urged as a site for the proposed new prison, I addressed a letter of inquiry, on the 13th of June, to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction upon this subject.

On the 8th of July I received a reply thereto, dated July 2, and with this letter I also received a printed copy of the proceedings of the Medical Board of Bellevue Hospital. I have also obtained a copy of the report of the Committee of Chemists, Drs. Draper, Doremus, and Chandler, who were appointed in the year 1873 to examine and report upon the animal and vegetable poisons in Bellevue Hospital, and the best manner of their extirpation. These documents and the letter of the Commissioners accompany this report.

From this correspondence I gather that the Commissioners of Charities and Correction are desirous to remove the hospital at Bellevue, and that the unfavorable reports regarding the sanitary condition of the buildings, requiring their demolition, were unfounded in fact, except in so far as was due to a defective system of heating and ventilating, and to the crowded state of the buildings, defects which might be easily corrected by improving the heating and ventilation and by extending the buildings upon the spare lands of the place. My own impressions are that the Bellevue buildings are well located for a hospital. They could not be removed and as conveniently rebuilt for $1,000,000, and to endeavor to change them into a prison would be a great waste of money.

The Commissioners of Charities and Correction also state that, in their opinion, the present City Prison, with certain changes and additions, might be made to supply the wants of the City for the next fifty years. Were it not for the imperative requirements of the law, which provides that the Commissioners shall "locate and erect a suitable building in said City to be used as a City Prison and Bridewell, in the place and stead of the buildings now used and occupied for that purpose in said City." * * * * * And "within six months next succeeding the completion and occupation of such new building, the building now used as a City Prison and Bridewell shall be vacated, and the said building, together with the land upon which the same is erected, shall be put up for sale and sold at public auction by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of said City, upon such terms, either in one parcel or otherwise, as the said Commissioners of the Sinking Fund shall determine." It might be well to consider the advantages of the present site.

I have taken pains to ascertain the conditions that should control the location of a new prison. This is not an easy task. Various elements are involved: that of the transportation of prisoners to the prison; their safe detention till trial and after trial; their transportation to their ultimate place of confinement.

The gathering-grounds of crime are from the Battery to King's Bridge and in the adjacent waters of the City. The police take an arrested person first to the police courts if open, and if not, to one of the various station-houses scattered over the City, where they may remain a few hours, and then to one of the police courts, which are located as shown on the map hereto annexed. The Police Court either hold the person arrested for trial or discharge him. The persons arrested, numbering 86,629 for the year ending April 30, are thus removed from the police courts, and it is from them that the City jail is supplied. This is stated because it touches the question of transportation of persons arrested from the various police courts to the Tombs or jail. It would seem in this point of view that the new jail should be centrally located, not geographically central to the whole island, which would not by any means be in the centre of arrests. The population is more dense below the Central Park. It is much more so on the east and north-east than on the west and north-west of it. A jail located about the geographical centre of the island would, therefore, not now be the most conveniently located for the purpose of conveying prisoners to it. The police courts are not in permanent locations—they are temporarily accommodated. It would be impossible to locate the new prison with reference to their unknown future location. They are moved about by whim and fancy, and by considerations of favored owners of property rented.

The second consideration is that of conveying prisoners from the jail to places of ultimate confinement—that is, either to Blackwell's Island or Sing Sing. For this purpose a prison located on the East River, from Seventy-third to Eighty-sixth-street, would be convenient both to the island and to the station to take the cars to the State Prison.

The third consideration is the convenience of judges, law offices, counsel, attorneys, grand and petit jurors, and witnesses, who, to the number of some hundreds, are required to attend almost every day.

The fourth consideration is the necessary relations of the business of lawyers, &c., engaged in the criminal administration with the civil courts at the City Hall; it is unquestionably very important that these should be within convenient distances of each other. The District Attorney, Hon. Benjamin K. Phelps, has kindly given me the benefit of his views on this subject, as far as his duties are concerned, and deems it indispensable that the District Attorney should be at both classes of courts almost daily. Appeals from the lower courts are taken to the Supreme Court constantly, and certain high crimes are disposed of in these high courts, the sessions of which are held in the City Hall Park.

It has often been said that the buildings in City Hall Park would be moved up-town at an early day; the very location of the new Post-office seems not to favor this idea. The courts may be moved up-town, but it is not probable that it will be very soon, and their being fixed where they are, and the convenient relations between the City Hall Courts, seem to point at this as the chief indication where the new buildings should be placed. Jurymen and witnesses often have their business in the lower part of the City, and if the courts are down-town, can give in the early part of the day some attention to their own affairs.

The question of the transportation of the prison inmates is one easily disposed of. It makes but very little difference as respects the convenience of this service where the prison is located. A service of vans will convey the prisoners to the bridewell, and from it to the points of departure for more permanent confinement.

The location of the Court of General Sessions in the prison building will avoid the distressing sights of handcuffed men going through the streets in gangs from the Tombs to the courts in the City Hall Park, where they are crowded in suffocating masses while the trials are going on.

Starting, then, with this point fixed, that we must be near the courts, and that the courts as now located will not soon be removed, the question arises whether any site can be obtained that will be convenient and that would outweigh the advantages of retaining the prison in its present location.

THE PRESENT SITE.

It is truly said that the present site is low. It is precisely on the site of the old Collect Pond; it is by some claimed as unwholesome. The facts do not seem to bear out this latter statement. Those familiar with the prison say it is very healthful, that no epidemic was ever known there, and that the chief difficulty is owing to the plan and arrangement of the buildings and its drainage and want of room.

The cause of the complaints of its unhealthiness is confined to the cell department, and is due to an improper system of plumbing-work and drainage.

The buildings are certainly not built upon the most improved plan of prison architecture, nor is the block large enough to receive the buildings required to be erected for the criminal courts and the prison, but this might be remedied. The next block of ground, at present occupied as a freight depot, is owned by the City, and though leased for a period of years, might probably be had. The arsenal building on the next block above the depot, belongs to the City.

These blocks might be taken, and upon them new buildings for the prison erected. Transferring the prisoners to one of these when completed, the building for the criminal courts, required by the act to be located in the prison building, might then be erected upon the present site of the prison. Communication between the buildings could be had by an inclosed gallery extended across the intervening streets.

Regarding the area of land required for the proposed buildings, I have, on application to the officers of the several courts to be accommodated, gathered together the dimensions of the court-rooms and other apartments required for transacting the business of the criminal courts, and from these I have arrived at the following conclusions:

Considering the accommodations needed, and allowing for such portions as may be located in upper stories, I find that for the Court of General Sessions, the City Judge, the Recorder, and the District Attorney, no provision is made for the latter officer by the act, a building will be needed which will occupy an area of 10,000 square feet. I also find that to accommodate the Court of Special Sessions and the Police Court, a building will be required which will occupy 10,000 square feet, or, together, there should be 20,000 square feet provided for the courts and their accessories.

This area of land is that required simply for the principal rooms in their net dimensions. To this there will have to be added for minor rooms, vestibules, stairways, walls, and open area for light, about 100 per cent, making a total requirement for this part of the building of 40,000 square feet.

Our present City Prison has 184 cells, only 145 of which, however, are in use, and only a portion of them are of proper dimensions, while many of them contain two and sometimes three prisoners each.

From this crowded condition of the prison, and accommodations with the rapidly increasing growth of the City in extent and population, I estimate that it will be proper to provide for at least 1,000 prisoners. This, it will be remembered, is not a punitory place of confinement, but of temporary safe keeping during trial. The number of inmates to be accommodated at one time will depend very much upon the efficiency of the judicial machinery charged with the duty of examining and trying them. If this works steadily and continuously the detention of each prisoner in the jail need not be very long, but if the machinery works with but spasmodic zeal, the number and time of detention will be greatly increased.

A building of this capacity, properly arranged, will cover about 30,000 square feet. To this should be added, for the various requisite appurtenances and for yard space, about 10,000 square feet, making for the prison an aggregate of 40,000 square feet.

To this add the amount above estimated for the requirements of the criminal courts, and we have, as the total ground space required for the proposed building, 80,000 square feet.

An ordinary block of ground of 200 by 500 feet contains an area of 100,000 square feet.

The block upon which the present City Prison is located contains about 45,000 square feet. The block occupied by the adjoining railroad depot contains about 40,000 square feet, and the plot opposite, occupied as an arsenal, contains over 10,000 feet. Together, the three pieces contain about 95,000 square feet.

The Bellevue site is 460 by 470 feet, and contains 216,200 square feet, and, when filled out to the established bulkhead line, it will contain a trifle over 300,000 square feet.

The block of land upon which the Eighteenth Ward Market stands has also been proposed as a site for the contemplated prison and courts. This block measures 184 by 892 feet, containing 164,128 square feet.

Several other sites have been suggested. It has been my purpose rather to ascertain and indicate the general requirements that should control the site, and how much space is required, than to fix upon a definite location. This must be done by the joint judgment of the Commissioners. By the terms of the act any land that the Commissioners deem proper can be taken by the process of eminent domain. The site of Centre Market is very convenient, but its area is only 23,938 square feet, which is not sufficient for our purposes.

Comparing these dimensions, except the last, with that of the required area—80,000 square feet—either of these sites appears to be ample in size for the proposed buildings, while some of them are entirely too large.

In considering the character of the sites proposed, that at Bellevue Hospital has some advantages; but inasmuch as the place is needed for the hospital, it would seem better to seek some other location for the prison.

The Eighteenth Ward Market is objectionable in its remoteness from the business centre of the City, and because it would be necessary to destroy the present buildings on it. This applies with equal force to the hospital site and to all others similarly situated.

The disadvantages of any site such as the Bellevue Hospital or the Eighteenth Ward Market, or any other up-town position off of the central line of cheap communication, are great, with reference to the transaction of the necessary business of all kinds connected with the City Prison, and an examination of the map of the City shows that this will continue to be so even when the time comes for the removal of the present City Hall and other buildings associated with it, for the change in the position of those buildings, if made at all, must necessarily be to some central position on or near Broadway.

A site on the shore of the river appears to have no advantage with regard to salubrity over an elevated, easily drainable location in the interior of the City, and the whole problem, therefore, appears to be simplified to the selection of a site that shall offer all the advantages of the present one in regard to convenience of access to the courts and public generally, and that shall be superior to it in other respects.

It would seem very desirable, therefore, to fix the site not far removed from the present courts. Somewhere about the intersection of Canal-street and the Bowery would be very central, and would be accessible by street cars from all sections of the City, and not too far from the City Hall.

The law being mandatory, a suitable position for the new jail has thus been generally indicated.

The question of the especial unfitness of the site of the Tombs for what is required by the City at this time is not a matter that has been referred to this Commission. It is required by the act to select a new site and sell the present one. Our decision must be made on the assumption that it is an established fact that for some reason known to the lawmakers the Tombs site cannot be made healthy by a judicious system of drainage, and that additional and improved accommodations are needed, and that it is better for the City to start anew rather than to attempt additions and improvements on the present ground.

We should, I think, be careful in selecting a site to avoid our being unduly influenced by the fact that the habit of those having business with the prison have become fixed, in the course of a series of years, by the necessity of going where the prison is located. These habits and ideas of convenience might have been just as fixed and settled had the prison been in some other location, and if it had we should now very likely be equally influenced by the fixed current of things in favor of that location.

From the annexed sketch taken from a plan of grades filed in the Controller's office, under chapter 570 of the laws of 1871, it appears that it is proposed to raise the level of the ground of a very large area around the present Tombs, from Broadway to the Bowery, and from Bleecker to Chambers and Chatham streets. If this expensive job should ever be carried out the streets adjacent to the Tombs, to wit, Elm, Centre, Franklin, and Leonard, would be raised about thirteen feet, thus burying the Tombs as now built. As to the question of salubrity, we may safely assume that, with the requisite drainage, any site on the island is healthy enough.

It is, perhaps, needless for me to say that in the construction of the building, no necessary expense should be spared to render it healthful and convenient. It should contain all the best methods and modern contrivances for convenience of administration, and to satisfactorily accomplish all its purposes. The prison apartments may be placed on the upper stories, and thus the advantage of elevated ground obtained. The walls should be so built as to admit of bearing other new stories, if more room should ever be required, thus carrying the building up rather than extend it on the ground. These stories should be conveniently accessible by means of safe elevators, by which prisoners can be taken up and lowered. Each prisoner can thus be taken from his cell and delivered at the court-room when required there for trial or sentence, without danger of escape, or without being subjected to the gaze of idle loungers.

Having for some years been a member of the Prison Association, which has been the means of doing much good, I have had some occasion to consider these subjects, and it will, I am sure, be a gratifying to you as it will to me to be instrumental in correcting, to some degree the, abuses of our prison administration, and that you will be as ready as I am in the interests of society and of humanity, to take advantage of the opportunity that is now placed before us. ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller

NEW-YORK, July 28, 1873.

After the report was read, Mr. Vance said that, in view of the importance of the subject, it would be well not to take action upon it until it had received due consideration. The commission then adjourned to Wednesday at 4 P. M.

A law passed by the Legislature in April, 1871, empowers the Commissioner of Public Works to alter the grades of the section bounded by Chambers and Bleecker streets and Broadway, and Chatham-street and the Bowery, so as to make them uniform. No action, however, was taken upon the law. Should a new City prison be built in the locality allowance will be made for a new grade.

THE STORY OF A LOST SHIP.

THE SUFFERINGS OF THE CAPTAIN AND CREW OF THE CASPAR WILD—NINE DAYS' STRUGGLE WITH A SINKING SHIP.

The brig Caspar Wild, which left Shields, England, on June 28, with a cargo of chemicals, for Philadelphia, was lost on the 21st inst., after the Captain and crew had suffered great hardships for nine days while struggling to keep the vessel afloat. On the 12th of July, while in latitude 48° 13' and longitude 35° 50', very rough weather was experienced. A heavy gale blew from the west round to the north-west, which lasted with unabated fury for three days.

The Caspar Wild, which has been a number of years built, and had not been in a really seaworthy condition when starting on the voyage, sprung a leak during the gale. The Captain and crew became alarmed for their safety, and as the only hope left of saving themselves, set to work the pumps with great energy. For nine days they continued at this labor, day and night, but still the water kept increasing, until, wearied and exhausted on the 21st of July, the steam-ship Spain, of the National line, Capt. Grace, hove in sight. All hopes of saving the vessel had been abandoned, and the most the Captain and crew expected was to keep the Caspar Wild afloat until some vessel could be signaled. During the greater part of the time intervening between the 12th and 21st, the crew felt themselves in suspense between life and death. On the appearance of the Spain a flag of distress was hoisted, and the men renewed their exertions to pump out the water which had been every day increasing, despite their most determined efforts. A boat was immediately sent to their assistance from the Spain, and the Captain and crew were taken from the ill-fated brig only a few hours before she went down. By the time the Spain offered her assistance, the Captain and crew of the Caspar Wild were so completely exhausted from the fatigue, anxiety, and hardships they had suffered for nine days, during which all their hopes were centred in manning the pumps, that they had scarcely strength enough left to express their emotion and gratitude for their providential deliverance. Several times the men became so wearied that they lost all hopes, and would have abandoned themselves to the mercy of the waves rather than expend their last energies in endeavoring to keep the vessel afloat. But Capt. Gill encouraged them to persevere, and shared in all the hardships of the crew. The Captain and crew of the Caspar Wild were well cared for upon being taken up by the Spain, and in the course of a few days were fully recovered from the effects of their suffering. The Spain reached this port on Sunday evening, and safely landed Capt. Gill and the crew of the Caspar Wild—nine persons in all. The Caspar Wild was 192 tons burden, was built in Norway in 1859, and was owned by Emil Goth, of Christiansand. Capt. Gill and his men now speak in glowing terms of the kind treatment they received at the hands of Capt. Grace and officers of the Spain.

MINNESOTA RAILROAD SUITS.

DETAILED REPLY TO ALL THE CHARGES MADE—STATEMENTS OF GEN. CASS AND GEORGE H. BECKER.

The answer to the charges made in the writ brought by John S. Kennedy, Henry M. Baker, and John S. Barnes, of this City, against the Northern Pacific Railroad Company and the St. Paul and Pacific Company, was filed in St. Paul, Minn., on Thursday last, by Gen. George W. Cass, President of the first company, and George L. Becker, President of the latter. To a reporter of the St. Paul *Press* Gen. Cass described it as follows:

"To the first charge made in the complaint, that the First Division Company had willfully and wrongfully appropriated advances made for iron, &c., amounting to nearly $700,000, Gen. Cass stated that this money was used for paying coupons of former issues of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad; that the misappropriation was not by George L. Becker, in fact, but by Lippman, Rosenthal & Co., the foreign bankers at Amsterdam, who had charge of the selling of the bonds, they refusing to make any further advances on the $15,000,000 bonds unless the interest was paid.

To the second charge of the improper conversion to the Northern Pacific Company of 1,472,000 acres of land by the First Division Company, through its failure to complete the St. Cloud and St. Vincent extensions, and 'in fraud of the rights of the bondholders,' there is direct denial. The St. Paul and Pacific now own all the lands they ever had, and have lost nothing by inaction, fraud or delay.

To a further charge that William G. Moorhead, as agent of the Division Company, received large amounts of money to be applied to the construction of said extensions, which he misappropriated, and in divers ways and manners has been unfaithful and negligent in respect of his duties as agent, it is replied that Moorhead has received from the Amsterdam bankers, (Lippman, Rosenthal & Co.,) in all out of the sale of $2,000,000 of bonds by them, only $1,900,000, all of which has been expended in the construction of the road. The Amsterdam bankers, therefore, paid over to Moorhead only about twenty cents on the dollar on the bonds they claim to have sold, and this is all of the money ever sent to the United States for the construction of the St. Paul and Pacific extension.

Again, it is charged that of the bonds issued under the extension mortgage, the First Division Company, with the consent and connivance of Moorhead and George L. Becker, wrongfully and unlawfully, and in fraud of the rights of the bondholders, expended the proceeds of $1,500,000 in completing the main line from St. Anthony to Breckenridge. This is met by the statement that a million and a half of bonds charged to have been expended by Becker and Moorhead were never in their possession, nor were the proceeds thereof, but they were paid to Litchfield by Lippman, Rosenthal & Co., the Amsterdam bankers, so as to make good the promise they had made to the Dutch public, and which they had not been able to redeem.

The sixth charge is that the accounts of the First Division Company and its statements and balance sheets have been obscure, unintelligible and unsatisfactory; that the business of the company in this respect has been negligently managed; and that by said statements and balance sheets the company appears to have incurred a large floating debt, the origin of which has not been accounted for,—all these charges are denied in toto. Moreover a thorough examination of the books by expert and experienced accountants is challenged, which examination will show that the books have been systematically and thoroughly kept, and that the chief book-keeper himself was sent here by Lippman, Rosenthal & Co., and was a person in whom they professed to have confidence; and that their allegation of this management cogent with a very poor grace.

Gen. Cass passed over the charge of mismanagement of the road in relation to the St. Cloud bonds, amounting to $65,000, and the allegations that the company had given special privileges to certain parties in the matter of lumber and timber lands, and the management of grain houses along the main line, as he said they were local matter, of which he had no official knowledge, and which Mr. Becker would doubtless explain.

It is furthermore denied that there has been any diversion of land grants, and that the following charge is without foundation, namely: That the First Division Company is now wholly insolvent and in default of interest on its bonds; that the shares of the First Division Company were unlawfully and fraudulently issued as full-paid stock without any payment therefor to the company, and were so issued by persons unknown to the Northern Pacific Company—the latter paying therefor a sum far less than the nominal amount thereof.

To the following, cut from the published account of the first complaint, Gen. Cass replied briefly: 'On these and other grounds the complainants request the United States Circuit Court to interpose and appoint a receiver, to enable the stockholders to complete the extensions—$5,000,000 being still required for that purpose. They pray that Becker be required to account in court for all sums received and disbursed under the mortgages, and that the extension mortgages be foreclosed to secure the title to the lands.' $5,000,000 is not needed as is alleged above, but $3,000,000 will pay the debts, complete the extension, and Lippman, Rosenthal & Co. have in their possession $4,500,000 of bonds, according to their own admission, and there is already $6,000,000 in bonds which they have not accounted for.'

In response to some general interrogations, Gen. Cass stated that John F. Barnes has not the power to act as attorney for the other bond holders, and that he will be able to get from the vast majority of the bond holders, although he may succeed in a few individual cases. Mr. Becker has been faithful to his trust, as a candid investigation into the facts will prove; and the present move is looked upon by many as a conspiracy against him by foreign capitalists rather than anything else. He (Gen. Cass) doubted not that if De Graff & Co. had the money and the entire charge of matters, without being hampered, they would push the extension lines forward to completion by the first day of December next."

GEORGE L. BECKER'S POSITION.

The *Press* adds: "Above are given the views of Gen. Cass. In relation to Mr. Becker, it may be said that he filed his answer yesterday, in which he goes into a most thorough and elaborate examination of the case. He deals particularly with questions pertaining to the issuance of bonds, and gives all the information relative thereto, together with all the correspondence which passed between himself and E. D. Litchfield, of London; L. Wilmar, of London, and foreign and American bankers, and a large number of tables taken from the books of the road. Mr. Becker makes a reply to the charge that the First Division Company made special concessions to Mr. Griggs & Co., of St. Paul, and Armstrong & Co., of Minneapolis, giving them the exclusive right to carry lumber over the main line, and by means thereof placed the value of timber land and the price of wood and timber in St. Paul under the control of these parties, and subjected the people of the State to great overcharges, thereby injuring the interests of the road, and imposing upon the public by producing the affidavits of well-known railroad men, who examine the matter in detail and exculpate Mr. Becker. Mr. F. R. Delano makes a long affidavit, and states that in his opinion the contracts relating to the wood matter are for, and inure to the special benefit of all parties concerned, the people of the country and exposes the said railroad company to no danger whatever from or to the legislative action, and that the president and directors served the best interests of the stock and bond holders and of the public by making and adhering to said contracts. Mr. Delano claims that the result of the contract above alluded to was:

1. To reduce the cost of wood for fuel to the railroad to the lowest possible amount.

2. To enable the said railroad company to furnish wood at low prices to the settlers on the great prairies on the line of the road.

3. That wood has been furnished and transported by these contractors in large quantities each year under the terms of the contract, to Minneapolis and St. Paul, thereby holding the prices of wood at these places at a steady and reasonable price of from $4 50 to $6 50 per cord, and greatly to the benefit of the wo d consumers of these cities.

4. That under the said contract the railroad company has received a very large revenue—much larger than they possibly could have received under any other plan for conducting the wood business.

5. That as an effect of these contracts the value of the wood lands owned by the railroad company, and tributary to it, have been greatly enhanced in value from about $3 per acre, in 1868, to from $10 to $15 per acre in 1873.

6. That the owners of woodlands and choppers on the line of the road are receiving steady and remunerative prices.

Mr. Delano then states that in February, 1872, he took steps to ascertain the cost of wood to the several railroad companies operating in Minnesota, with the following results:

PRICES OF WOOD FOR RAILROADS.

Milwaukee and St. Paul, 60 miles through woodland, $3 50 per cord.

St. Paul and Sioux City, 90 miles through woodland, $2 35 per cord.

Southern Minnesota Railroad, 40 miles through woodland, $4 25 per cord.

Winona and St. Peter Railroad, 70 miles through woodland, $4 25 per cord.

St. Paul and Chicago Railroad, 40 miles of woodland, $3 50 per cord.

Hastings and Dakota Railroad, 12 miles through woodland, $3 75 per cord.

Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad, 120 miles through woodland, $2 per cord.

Northern Pacific Railroad, 160 miles through woodland, $1 90 per cord.

St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, Main and Branch Line, 55 miles through woodlands, $1 70 per cord.

A reply is also made to the complaint that the management of the main line for a long time has been and now is such as to favor certain parties having grain-houses along the line, and to the prejudice of the farmers and producers settled along the vicinity of the line; that the company often fails to have cars in readiness for grain when brought to the railroad, and thereby exposes farmers to the necessity of a forced sale below the price to such parties having grain-houses. Mr. Delano denies that he was Superintendent of the St. Paul and Pacific, and of the First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, and that he is familiar with the workings of the grain-house contracts, and of the workings thereof on this line of road, and that they were made and entered into upon his recommendation, with the belief that they were for the best interests of the grockholders and bondholders, and also of the farmers and grain-dealers. The contract requires the contractor to erect suitable elevators or houses at the necessary points, in which wheat can be inspected and graded. The farmer can store his wheat in these elevators, and if the price at any particular time does not suit him, deposit the grain at a low price per month until he see fit to dispose of it. The operation of the contract also allows persons who may desire to ship their wheat to obtain cars of the railroad and ship their grain themselves without its going through the hands of contractors. No more favor is shown the officers and managers of the road as he believed, than to other parties doing a grain business. The contract has maintained a steady and reliable price for good sound graded wheat, greatly to the advantage of the producer and to the railroad company in the increasing value of wheat lands, and the increased cultivation of wheat on the lines of said road. Other affidavits are given, taking a similar view of the facts."

MORE ABOUT SALT.

The published talk about a "corner" in salt has stimulated the Bay City (Mich.) *Chronicle* to investigate the matter, and what it has learned is thus stated in a recent issue: "We find that while some of the circumstances may be taken readily enough as indicating a prearranged corner, there are others which go to substantiate the claims made by the dealers that the whole thing is the simple result of a legitimate demand for our salt. The first thing which attracts attention is the fact that there is probably now not an unsold lot of salt on the river below Carrollton, and not over 4,000 or 5,000 barrels on the whole river. This is a strong contrast with the state of affairs at this season last year, when the rule was that every dock had 2,000 or 3,000 barrels on it. Added to this fact is the other, that many manufacturers have sold ahead, though it is difficult to form an accurate estimate of the extent to which this has been carried. Contracts have been made with some manufacturers for their entire product for the season, while others have contracted for only a part of their make, for a certain length of time, reserving the balance to themselves. To account for the unusual demand so much earlier in the season than last year, it is stated that Saginaw salt is preferred in the Ohio markets as well as in the Western ones. This is a state of affairs which is new this year, and arises mainly from the superior quality of the packages and the general care used in putting up the salt. The Canada salt, say the dealers, may be as good as the Saginaw product, but their packages will not bear a comparison. Another fact is alleged as a reason for the increased demand just now, and that is that there has this year been no accumulation of stocks either here or at the great distributing points for our salt. There is little or no salt in store at Chicago, Milwaukee or Racine; very little at Toledo, though a large dealer there has had some special advantages in the way of purchases and freights; and little also at Cleveland. The demand has kept pace, at the lowest calculation, with the production, and there is now no surplus on hand at the works or in the markets. The ruling prices here have ranged of late from $1 40 to $1 45 per barrel, and we hear of offers of $1 50 having been made and refused for salt yet to be made. Last year the market opened with sales at $1 30, and ran up in the Fall to $1 60, and even higher in several sales. This year the opening price was somewhat higher, while the advance, which seems to have now fairly commenced, is considerably earlier than last year. Between this date and the last of August more will go out of the river not less than 45,000 barrels of salt. Messrs. Brewster and Keith, of this city, had last night six vessels in the river to load with salt for the Western market. One cargo goes to Racine, two to Milwaukee, and the rest to Chicago. The schooner F. Palms is loading in bulk at the New-York works. It will be seen that salt is on the move, and right lively is is going. It is the opinion of those well posted, and who know the condition of outside markets, that the price of salt will reach the figures of last year, if not exceed them. The latest quotations from Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland, and other points show no advance on salt, but this must come if the conditions here and elsewhere are as given above. The prospect for salt men is therefore pretty fair."

TRANSPORTATION—THE OTHER SIDE.

The St. Paul (Minn.) *Press* says that, notwithstanding the complaints of the people and of the farmers' granges relative to the extortionate rate of railroad freights, it appears that these rates on the leading trunk lines have been steadily reduced during the last few years. To support this assertion the *Press* gives the following figures: "Not long ago we quoted the figures supplied by the Michigan Southern and Lake Shore Railroad, which showed a reduction of nearly or quite fifty per cent. in the rate of freight charges, while it gave evidence of a heavy increase of traffic. The annual report of the President of the Michigan Central Railroad, which is just received, makes the same showing. As a matter of curiosity and comparison, we subjoin the following exhibit of the freighting business of that road for a series of years:

Years.	Tons of freight moved.	Freight earnings.	Earnings per ton per mile.
1865	485,975	$9,923,529	.3 6-100
1866	533,451	9,208,591	.2 60-100
1867	578,177	9,983,281	.2 49-100
1868	638,336	2,480,974	.2 45-100
1869	809,835	2,755,200	.2 9-100
1870	823,770	2,634,438	.1 98-100
1871	1,105,875	3,072,557	.1 61-100
1872	1,238,313	3,379,695	.1 56-100
1873	1,416,792	3,852,933	.1 57-100

Here it will be seen that since 1865 the rate of charges has decreased from .3 6-100 cents per ton per mile to .1 57-100 cents, or more than one-half, while the tonnage has increased from less than half a million tons moved to nearly a million and a half tons. The report of the President says that had the company been obliged to do the business of 1868 at the actual rates of 1873, the gross receipts from freights would have been $1,579,722 instead of $2,480,974, the difference nearly equaling the total surplus of the road for 1868. Whether the rates have now reached the minimum figure at which the road can afford to do business, is not stated in the report, but the only condition on which the lowest rates can be maintained, that of a heavy traffic is most obvious."

THE MONITORS AT NEW-ORLEANS.

Some months since Lieut. Commander Kells received from the Naval Department orders to place all the vessels at the iron-clad station at New-Orleans in sea-going order, and it was immediately done. The New-Orleans *Republican* of Friday last says: "The eight iron-clads now lying here, all of which were built at Pittsburg, have been for some months in such a condition that five hours' notice would be sufficient to make them ready for action. Three of them, the Chickasaw, Kewaydin, and Winnebago, two turrets and four guns each, are only intended for river service. The others, the Etlah, Iris, Klamath, Umpqua, and Yuma, are seagoing monitors, all built on the same model, 483 tonnage, with single turrets and two guns. They are prepared at any moment to get up steam, receive crew, powder, and stores, and go into commission. Mr. Daniel Ward, the officer in charge, has everything in perfect condition, from the tremendous machinery of the turret down to the smallest portion of the bright work. It has been stated by gentlemen whose opportunities vested them accurate information that 150 seamen could be enlisted in this city. The Secretary of the Navy seems to be equally well informed, and determined to take advantage of the circumstance. It is rumored in authoritative circles that the Government will, in a few days, establish a naval rendezvous at this port. This will be hailed with satisfaction by every one, as showing a strengthened confidence in the people of New-Orleans. The establishment of our navy on a station on such a basis would tend immediately to assist in the recovery of the prosperity of the city. Four or five hundred chances for employment for active, intelligent, able-bodied men, many of whom are now seeking in vain for employment, will be eagerly sought for. The political aspect of the move can only be left to conjecture. But, with Escobedo moving toward the Rio Grande, Gordon filibustering in Central America, San Domingo entering on a revolution, the Cubans growing more and more powerful and confident, and the action of Secretary Robeson in the matter of the steamer Virginius, it is very significant. The spectacle of five double-barreled thunderbolts, ready to be launched in any direction, is very inspiring, especially to the eye that controls the hand that holds them."

RETURNING FROM A WEDDING.

A singular accident which befell a party of persons from Akron, Ohio, while returning from a wedding, is thus described by the Akron *Beacon* of Thursday last: "The party consisted of a gentleman and his family, who occupied one carriage, and two ladies who followed driving a single horse. The occupants of the first carriage being apprehensive that some accident might befall the young ladies, looked back frequently to see that all was right, and were not a little relieved each time at seeing the horse quietly trotting along with no signs of running away or otherwise misbehaving himself. Matters thus proceeded until the party reached Market-street, near Prospect, when on turning aside to speak to the occupants of the second carriage, the gentleman was not a little amazed to see the horse, which had been following so quietly, shoot ahead on a keen trot, with the lines lying loose upon the dash-board and the carriage empty! Of course his first thought was that some dreadful accident had occurred and, leaving the horse to find his own way to the stable, (which he did in safety,) the gentleman retraced his journey to Tallmadge where he and his companions were overjoyed to find the missing ladies safely aboard another vehicle and on their way to Akron. Their story was that soon after leaving the wedding party their horse stumbled and, falling, threw the occupants over the dash-board, whence they fell to the ground not much injured but considerably frightened. The horse, instead of running, continued his quiet trot as if nothing had happened, following the first carriage all the way to Akron, a distance of four miles. The ladies were comfortably provided for at a neighboring house, and soon afterward started for home."

ANOTHER CHILD MURDERER.

Another murder by a colored child is reported by the Winnsboro' (S. C.) *News* of the 24th inst.: "It occurred at White Oak, eight miles north of this place, and is certainly mysterious. The case, as reported to us, is that of a child not exceeding eighteen months of age killing another of nine months, by maiming, biting, and bruising, until life was despaired of—a fiend which the young cannibal had attempted a few days previous in attempting to bite to death another of its playmates. We forbear giving names until we learn more of the facts, although from the source we derived the information the facts cannot be disputed."

FIGHTING ON THE CARS.

MURDEROUS AFFRAYS ON RAILROAD TRAINS—TWO MEN KILLED AND OTHERS INJURED.

Yesterday's exchanges brought three several accounts of sanguinary fights on railroad trains. The first is given by the Cincinnati *Commercial* of Sunday, and embodies a report of a murderous affray between cousins. The *Commercial* says: "Passengers on the Kentucky Short-line Railroad express-train, from Louisville to this city, yesterday afternoon, were witnesses, at about 5 o'clock P. M., of a singularly tragical affray between first cousins, that resulted in the almost immediate death of one of the parties. We have from eye-witnesses the following facts of the tragical affair: J. D. Whittaker was in the baggage-car, on his way up from Louisville to a station north of Wirthville, where he keeps a hotel. As the train drew up at Wirthville, Whittaker's cousin, Charles Dean, discovering Whittaker sitting at the baggage-car door, came up with a knife in one hand and a coupling-pin in the other, and commenced abusing him and threatening to kill him. Whittaker said, 'For God's sake, Charley, go away.' At the same time, however, Whittaker drew a revolver and cocked it, and when he observed that Dean wouldn't 'go away,' he pulled the trigger. He was then standing in the open, wide door of the baggage-car. Dean was standing below him on the station platform. The ball entered Dean's chest, inflicting a wound that caused death in a few minutes. As the ball entered his chest Dean raised his hands and muttered a few indistinct words. He then fell down and forward under the car upon the track. He died in a few moments. It is said that Dean had a spite against Whittaker on account of an affair that occurred about six weeks ago, the result of which was Dean's arrest on a bench warrant for cutting."

The Nashville (Tenn.) *Banner* gives an account of a very desperate encounter which took place on the sleeping-coach Imperial, on the Nashville and Chattanooga Road, near Stevenson, the parties being Mose Woolfolk, a porter on the road, and Edgar Reed, baggage-master on the train. The *Banner* says: "As to how it came about is not definitely known, as the difficulty arose between them at a time when no other person was present. It is said that Reed had gone into the car and washed his face, and that Woolfolk peremptorily ordered him not to come into the car again, as it was against the rules, whereupon an altercation ensued and a fight began. Another version is that it arose from high words about another matter. But however it began, they had a desperate struggle for the mastery. It commenced on the platform, it is said, where Reed struck Woolfolk over the head with a lamp. Here both had a determined tussle, and both came near going overboard, the train running at about fifteen miles an hour. From the platform they went just inside the car, where Woolfolk pulled out a razor or pocket-knife, as some think, and cut Reed's cheeks through and through, one of them from the ear to the mouth, partially severed the lower lip, made a deep, long gash in his breast, a slight one upon his abdomen and thigh, together with several minor gashes. His clothing was badly cut up. The breaking of a glass window brought Charles Parmele, the conductor of the coach, who, in consequence of the rumbling of the train, had not been aware that a fight was in progress. On reaching them he did not at first recognize them, thinking they were about to put of another to the other. On asking them what they were fighting in his car for, Reed, who had Woolfolk's arms firmly grasped to prevent the further use of the razor, asked Parmele to take Woolfolk's knife away. Parmele told Woolfolk to put down his knife, when he denied having one. Parmele ordered him to turn loose of Reed, at the same time forking him away. Having thus separated them, Parmele's first care was to bathe Reed's wounds, but the blood gushed out of them so freely that, fearing he might bleed to death, Parmele went into the next car and asked the assistance of a brakeman, who with others came into the car and rendered all the aid necessary. Woolfolk, fearing that the crowd was coming in after him, ran to the ladies' dressing-room, locked the door and jumped out of a window, falling upon his head. Persons were sent back after him, and he was found to have been pretty severely injured. He was immediately put under arrest. Reed was left at Stevenson, where he was attended by a physician. The indications last night were that his wounds would prove mortal, and that he might not live until this morning. Reed told a friend that the difficulty arose from an insult passed by Woolfol

ADULTERATED GUANO.

SUITS BY THE PERUVIAN GOVERNMENT AGAINST SEVERAL FIRMS.

Messrs. Pritchard, Choate & Smith, No. 49 Wall-street, as the attorneys of the Peruvian Government, have begun suits against a large number of guano-dealing firms in this City for alleged adulteration of this article of trade. The names of the firms are as follows: George Ricardo & Co., No. 195 Water-street; L. E. Coxe & Co., No. 197 Water-street; George S. White, No. 189 Front-street; Robert C. Reeves, Nos. 185 and 187 Water-street, and B. H. Reeves & Co., No. 184 Water-street. The Peruvian guano is exported by the Government, and a contract is done by its agents in this City annually of from 25,000 to 30,000 tons. It is alleged in the complaints that the defendants are in the habit of selling an inferior article to that which have contained genuine guano, and are so branded, and with the use of an imitation of the brand on the genuine bags, which the Peruvian Government claims as a trade-mark. A claim is made for damages by the Peruvian Government on account of injury suffered by the purchasers of these parties, and it is also sought to enjoin the defendants from a continuance of them.

The practice of the adulteration of guano was brought to notice by the New-York State Agricultural Society several years ago. Under the direction of the managers bags of guano were purchased at different places and an analysis of their contents made. Pure Chincha guano contains about fifteen per cent of ammonia, and guanapie from eleven to thirteen per cent. Six out of the ten specimens purchased were found to contain but from three to six per cent. of ammonia, which proved conclusively that the guano had been adulterated. It was thought that the guano was adulterated by mixing it with the phosphatic guano from the Pacific.

The firms who were called upon in reference to the suits yesterday, seemed, as a rule, to care very little about the matter.

Mr. R. H. Reeves, of No. 184 Water-street, said that they purchased their stock mostly from jobbers as they did not deal in large quantities enough to buy directly from the agents. He said that dealers for the last twenty years were aware of the fact that guano was adulterated, but that he doubted if it was tampered with to a much greater extent than most articles of trade. Mr. Reeves denied that he had ever resorted to any such devices, however, but always sold the guano just as he bought it.

Mr. Robert C. Reeves, No. 185 Water-street, spoke to the same effect. He said that, as he was guilty of no dishonorable practices, he apprehended no difficulty from the suit brought by the Peruvian Government.

Mr. L. B. Coxe, No. 197 Water-street, said that he was one of the lightest dealers in guano in the City; he had never guaranteed to his customers that he was selling them genuine guano, but had informed them of the quality when they purchased it. Mr. Coxe thought that, by mixing the guano, it is much better for the consumer, as it saves him the trouble, and pure guano is altogether too strong to be used without adulteration.

The attorneys for the Peruvian Government said that their client had been forced to bring the suit by the complaints of numerous parties who had been swindled by the alleged adulteration. They say that they have abundant testimony to sustain every allegation in the complaints.

APPLICATION FOR A RECEIVER.

Mr. Stearns moved before Judge Pratt, in the Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday, for the appointment of a receiver for the estate of Mrs. Mary C. Leroy Goodridge on the following grounds set forth in the affidavit: Plaintiff as widow and administratrix of Ezra R. Goodridge, requested the defendant, Frederick A. Lane, at that time counsel for the Erie Railway Company, and who had been a friend of her husband, to act as her attorney and procure her security. He thereupon got his coachman, John Rooney, to go security for $10,000, and Rooney brought up a security suit for $50,000 against the estate; that the defendant collected $67,000 on the estate, out of which he paid himself $57,000 on two judgments amounting in the aggregate to $250,000, for claims of which she knew nothing, and which were obtained by him against her without her knowledge; that she implicitly trusted the defendant and relied upon his papers put before her without inquiry; that the defendant's business is a precarious one; that the two judgments have been opened, and that for her security, pending their decision, she prays that all the property, including the $67,000, be taken off Mr. Lane's hands and a receiver appointed. On the other hand, the defendant avers that he was induced to act as attorney in the administration through kindness to the plaintiff; that the deceased owed $230,000, of which $191,000 was due to defendant; that he explained all to plaintiff, and that she acknowledged the debt, and signed the papers, and that he never placed a paper before her without fully explaining its nature; that, the moment she demurred to the two judgments, he consented that they should be opened, to have them fairly tried; that there was $40,000 due to other parties, and he paid twenty-nine per cent. on that and the $191,000, which gave him $57,000; that he has $5,000 in hands to meet outstanding claims; that his business is not a precarious one, and he is well able to meet any judgment against him, and that the case in such an one in which a receiver should be appointed.

Decision reserved.

WITNESSES IN THE STOKES CASE.

Thomas and Patrick Hart and the boy Redmond, so long held in the House of Detention as witnesses in the Stokes case, were taken to Supreme Court, Chambers, before Judge Pratt, yesterday, on habeas corpus, and their counsel, Mr. John O. Mott, moved for their release. Counsel contended that it was very hard that these parties, who were not accused of crime, should be ordered to find $2,000 bail, which they were unable to do, while $1,000 bail is usually the amount in a grand larceny case. The order was applied for under the act of 1845, but that act gave no power to require sureties, and the Oyer and Terminer had no right to imprison witnesses, unless when they refuse to give their personal recognizance. Assistant District Attorney Lyon informed the court that the Stokes case was the first to be tried in October. Judge Pratt said his impression was that the court of highest criminal jurisdiction had acted regularly. Decision reserved.

FREIGHT TARIFFS.

The freight tariffs of the trunk lines to the West, upon first-class merchandise, have been materially reduced by agreement of the managers. The following is the scale to the most prominent points in the West:

	Per Cwt.	Per Cwt.
New-York to Chicago	75 cents,	formerly $1 00
New-York to Cleveland, O.	49 cents,	formerly 65
New-York to Cincinnati, O.	70 cents,	formerly 92
New-York to St. Louis, Mo.	97 cents,	formerly 1 28
New-York to Louisville	86 cents,	formerly 1 23
New-York to Memphis	$1 35 cents,	formerly 1 69

The Lake rates from Lake Erie ports westward are:

To Cleveland, Toledo, and Detroit.....45 cents
To Chicago, Milwaukee, and Green Bay.....51 cents

A revised tariff to all these points is expected to go into operation in a short time, which, it is said, will be much higher than the present one.

ERIE EXCURSION TICKETS.

As illustrative of the peculiar management of the Erie Railway the following circumstance, which has been communicated to this office, will not prove uninteresting: On Friday evening last Mr. W. H. Hoover, of No. 160 Fulton-street, and W. S. Cleave, of No. 416 East One Hundred and Sixteenth-street, purchased two excursion tickets to Niagara Falls and return by the Erie Road for $35, and were distinctly informed at the time that they could break the journey at any depot along the line and resume it on any day before the 1st of November. They departed that evening by the 7 o'clock train, and on the following morning, having stated to the conductor that they desired to stay for some time at Nunda, asked for a lay-over ticket. This the conductor said was unnecessary, and they left the train on its arrival at Nunda. They resumed the journey by the next train, but when the conductor came along to collect the tickets he refused to take those of Mr. Hoover and his friend, alleging that they had been previously used, and he demanded $4, the fare from Nunda to Buffalo. The conductor refused to be convinced that the tickets had not been used, their date controverted that statement, and having refused to pay the additional fare, which they regarded as an imposition, they were compelled to leave the train. Since then they vainly sought redress, and the only satisfaction they received was the assurance that they should not have left the train on which they got on board at the depot in Jersey City.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY IN PERSIA.

The replies of the Shah to the addresses presented to him on the subject of religious liberty in Persia have been published. To the Evangelical Alliance address, praying for his Majesty's continued protection of the Nestorian community, and that toleration may distinguish the laws and administration of his Majesty's Government, Malcom Khan replies that "his Majesty is pleased to think that such toleration is already universal in Persia, no one, whether Christian or Jew or Parsee, being subjected to persecution or ill-treatment on account of his religion. His Majesty will continue in this course of even-handed justice, regarding all classes of his subjects with equal care and solicitude." To the Parsee address the Shah replies that if he finds the co-religionists of the Parsees are subject to any undue severities in Persia, he will take care that redress is afforded them. His Majesty says he is aware of the high character which is borne by the Parsee community both in England and in India, and he is glad that he numbers among his own subjects so many members of that enterprising and loyal race. To a memorial presented by Sir Moses Montefiore, praying that fairness and protection may be generally extended to the Jews in Persia, his Majesty replies that "he has always considered it unbecoming for the welfare of his subjects without distinction of class or creed, and he will take care that no injustice or undue severity is shown to the Jewish community, which, even, rightly considered, is as loyal, peaceable, and industrious citizens."

FIRE IN NINTH-AVENUE.

THE STABLES OF THE TWENTY-THIRD-STREET LINE OF STAGES PARTIALLY DESTROYED.

At 4 o'clock yesterday morning, smoke was seen issuing from the windows of the third floor of the four-story brick building, Nos. 281, 283, 285, and 287 Ninth-avenue, on the south-west corner of Twenty-seventh-street, which is owned and occupied as a stable, &c., by Johnson, Shepherd & Co., proprietors of the Twenty-third-street and Ninth-avenue line of stages. An alarm was at once sent out from Box No. 415, and promptly responded to by a large force of firemen and police, the latter under Capt. Cherry, of the Sixteenth Precinct. The building was entered and several streams of water were soon brought to bear upon the flames, but without any apparent effect, as they spread rapidly, extended to the upper floor of the building, and soon gained the roof. Second and third alarms followed in quick succession, and brought the reserves, with Assistant Chief Shay, who is in charge of the department during the temporary absence of Chief Bates in the country. The firemen were ably directed, and fought the fast-increasing flames from all points with great determination.

In the meantime, and while the firemen were battling with the flames in the upper stories, the police, aided by a few of the employes of the company who had been attracted to the spot, had been doing good service in removing the horses and stages. The live stock was housed principally in the basement; but a number of the horses were on the second floor of the premises, while the ground floor was filled with stages, the vehicles being packed together as closely as possible. In a very short time every horse had been unfastened and removed from the building, and all the stages were run out into the street out of harm's way, and in this manner great loss was averted. Notwithstanding these precautions, however, some twenty horses were missing, and it is supposed that they have either strayed away or been captured by the members of the notorious "Tenth-avenue gang," who, during the progress of the fire, were prowling about the burning building watching for an opportunity to plunder, and were several times driven off by the police. During yesterday a number of the missing horses were found and returned to the owners, and search is being made for the rest.

Before the firemen could extinguish the flames, the third and fourth floors of the building were completely burned out, the roof was badly injured, and the lower floors deluged and considerably damaged by water. The building has a frontage of 75 feet on Ninth-avenue and about 100 feet on Twenty-seventh-street. It was erected by the proprietors of the Knickerbocker line of stages, when the building formerly occupied by them, at Twenty-third-street and Eighth-avenue, passed into the hands of the late Samuel N. Pike, who erected Pike's Opera-house on the site, and subsequently sold it to the Erie Railway Company. It is substantially constructed of brick, and the damage inflicted is estimated at $65,000; insured for $75,000. The loss on feed, harness, &c., is estimated at $30,000.

The fourth floor, formerly used for public meetings, balls, &c., was recently leased by the City and partially fitted up as an armory for the Twelfth Regiment, National Guard, but had not formally passed into the possession of that regiment. Over $20,000 were spent in preparing the armory, which will prove a total loss, on which there is no insurance.

During the progress of the fire, Edward B. Vandeleet, a member of Hook and Ladder Company No. 4, was severely cut about the face by falling glass, and Fireman John D. Sullivan became sick and exhausted from the heat. They were both taken to their homes.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, which Fire-Marshal Sheldon is endeavoring to solve. So far as can be ascertained, no person was in the building from 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon until the discovery of the fire, and none of the employes can give any information.

SPEECH AND THE TONGUE.

In the latest number of the *Academy* is an article by Mr. E. Ray Lankester, on the supposed necessity of the tongue to speech, in the course of which the writer says: "The Shahs of Persia appear to be in the habit of causing this operation (excision of the tongue) to be performed upon their subjects—together with that of burning the eyes with hot irons—when they have cause to feel ill-disposed toward them; and it is well known in that country that the power of speech is retained after the loss of the tongue. It is a curious fact that speech is often less impaired by the removal of a large portion of the tongue than by merely cutting away the tip; and persons in the East who have been clumsily operated upon by the public executioner, actually submit themselves to a kind of homeopathic cure for the impediment to speech which such an operation produces; they have the tongue cut a second time. There is, then, no ground for the popular notion that the tongue is the organ of speech in the sense that the eye is an organ of sight."

PRAIRIE CHICKENS.

The Indianapolis, (Ind.,) *Sentinel* says there is no doubt that it is now the best time in the year to hunt young prairie chickens, but to kill them before the 15th prox. that chafes the hunter. He could stand that well enough if the game were left alone. But to stand still obedient to law and see those less scrupulous killing off the young broods and knowing well that the day is near when he can lawfully take the field all the fine coveys will be shot off, is pretty trying. It has come to pass that the best shots are to be found in the country and among the farmers. This class cannot help feeling that they have a right to take some liberties on their own lands and in their door yards, and they pop away unmindful of the statute. It is not an easy nor a pleasant thing to bring the law to bear on these men for what they do at home. And besides, the farmers have another advantage. It is a misdemeanor under the new act to hunt on any man's premises without his consent. Therefore, if the owner is prosecuted for shooting before the time on his own estate, he can prevent everybody else from shooting there at all. So it is well to let the farmer alone on his own ground—that is, for hunters and clubs to do so. On the whole, the chickens have cause to cackle, for their chances of life are considerably improved by the prohibition of free entry on private grounds. The time is fixed too late for this latitude, and is an error."

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Held by Pratt, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 11 A. M.—7, Foster vs. Hillyer et al.; 90, The People, &c., Young vs. Green; 70, Equitable Life Assurance Society United States vs. Hillyer et al.; 80, Pope vs. Lagrave; 81, Zeigler vs. Lagrave; 82, Riesenmeger vs. Lagrave; 83, Dreyfus vs. Lagrave; 84, Thompson vs. Lagrave; 85, Hennequinn vs. Lagrave; 86, Averill vs. Lagrave; 87, Aufmoerds vs. Lagrave; 88, Vanderhoef vs. Lagrave; 89, Duden et al. vs. Lagrave; 90, Jammermann vs. Lagrave; 91, Lee vs. Lagrave; 105, Acker et al. vs. Collins, Jr., et al.; 137, In the matter, &c., Duryea et al.; 178, In the matter, &c., Aaron; 197, House vs. Aronson; 198, Crocker vs. Thompson et al.; 284, In the matter, &c., Riverside Park; 238, Bell vs. Bell; 261, Brewster vs. Manning; 266, Baddensiek vs. Frost; 267, Foster vs. Newbrough.

DECISIONS.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Freedman.

Weiss vs. Weiss; report of referee confirmed and judgment rendered accordingly; decree of divorce in favor of plaintiff.

Lounsberry vs. Potter; extra allowance of $140 granted.

Dietz vs. Dietz; defendant's motion for alimony and counsel fee must be denied.

Tucker et al. vs. Weeks et al.; order that plaintiff have leave to file supplementary complaints.

Weiggand vs. Falk; order vacating order of 22d, with $10 costs to defendant.

Bruner vs. Bruner; order for judgment for plaintiff on demurrer as frivolous with $10 costs.

Jenkins vs. Murray; order that plaintiff have leave to serve amended on poyment of $10 costs.

Hale et al. vs. Stevens; order of reference.

The Merino National Bank vs. Geery; order that the demurrer of defendants be overruled as frivolous, and judgment with $10 costs.

Libby vs. Reunie; motion denied with $10 costs.

Hermann vs. Hermann; order of reference.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.

By Judge Larremore.

Lack vs. Alden; motion granted.

Klotz vs. Pincke; motion granted without costs.

Johnson et al. vs. Bleakley; application granted.

Jennings vs. Jennings; receiver appointed.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

SAVANNAH, July 28.—Cotton firmer; offerings light; Middling, 18¾c.; net receipts, 258 bales; exports, coastwise, 764 bales; sales, 11 bales; stock, 1,520 bales.

GALVESTON, July 28.—Cotton firmer; Good Ordinary, 14¾c.@15c.; net receipts, 41 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,515 bales; sales, 1,100 bales; stock, 12,778 bales.

NEW-ORLEANS, July 28.—Cotton firm; Middling, 18¾c.; net receipts, 544 bales; gross, 561 bales; sales, 200 bales; last evening, 400 bales; stock, 26,025 bales.

CHARLESTON, July 28.—Cotton quiet; Middling, 19¼c.@19¾c.; net receipts, 370 bales; exports, coastwise, 1,457 bales; sales, 200 bales; stock, 3,750 bales.

MOBILE, July 28.—Cotton quiet; Middling, 18¼c.; net receipts, 96 bales; exports, coastwise, 139 bales; sales, 200 bales; stock, 11,687 bales.

MEMPHIS, July 28.—Cotton quiet; Low Middling, 18½c.; net receipts, 344 bales; shipments, 242 bales; stock, 9,308 bales.

WILMINGTON, July 28.—Cotton steady; Middling, 18¾c.; net receipts, 28 bales; sales, 10 bales; stock, 1,251 bales.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE—JULY 28.

SALES BEFORE THE CALL—10 A. M.

300	Western Union	91⅝	100	Union Pac	s3. 27⅝
200	do	b3. 91⅝	200	Northwn	b3. 69¾
200	do	s3. 91⅝	100	do	69¾
800	do	91⅝	100	St. Paul	51⅝
100	Pacific Mail	37⅝	100	do	c. 51¾
100	do	38⅛	300	Toledo & Wab	71⅝
300	Harlem	133¾	100	do	71¾
200	do	133¾	100	do	b3. 71⅞
600	do	133¾	200	do	72
100	Erie Railway	c. 59⅝	100	do	72
100	do	59⅝	100	do	72⅛
200	do	59⅝	100	do	72⅛
100	do	s3. 59⅞	100	do	b30. 72⅜
200	do	59½	200	do	b3. 72⅝
200	do	59⅝	200	do	73
200	do	59⅝	300	Ohio & Miss	c. 39¾
100	Lake Shore	b3. 98¾	100	do	39¾
500	do	98¾	300	do	39⅞
100	do	c. 98¾	100	C., C. & I. C	31⅝

GOVERNMENT STOCKS—10:15 A. M.

$5,000 U.S. 5-20C., '67..116¾

FIRST BOARD—10:30 A. M.

$85,000	Tenn. 6s, N.	81½	200	Harlem E	133
5,000	N. C. F. A., '68.	17	200	do	b3. 133
5,000	N. C. 6s, N	16	200	do	b3. 132¾
10,000	S. C. 6s, N	33	400	do	b. c. 133⅛
	Jan. & July.	15	200	do	c. 132⅜
1,000	Erie 1st	103½	300	do	132¾
10,000	Mich. C. 7s	93½	200	do	134
10,000	do	98¾	200	do	133⅞
1,000	Mich. S. 2d	99½	400	do	132⅜
1,000	Long Dock bds	96	50	do	132½
15,000	U. Pac. 1st	82	100	do	132¾
1,000	do	82⅜	200	Chi. & Rock I. R.	
50,000	C., R. I. & Pac.		b. c.		s3. 110¾
	7s	b. c. 102¾	200	M. & St. P	b. c. 52¼
2,000	C. & N. W. 1st	102	500	L. S. & M. S. R.	
7,000	D., L. & W. C.	101		b. c.	b3. 93⅞
1,000	L. Shore C.	99½	1000	do	93⅞
1,000	Gt. West. 2d	88	100	do	c. 93⅞
5,000	C. C. & I. C. 1st	88½	1000	do	b3. 94
1,000	B., C. R. & M. 1st	88¾	100	do	s3. 93⅞
100	Pacific Bank	100	100	do	b3. 93⅞
50	Bank of Republic	110	800	do	93⅞
20	Br. of Commerce	114½	1300	do	b3. 93⅞
5	Ho & L. Bank	149	900	do	93¾
20	Cen. Nat. Bank	91	300	do	b3. 93¾
100	Bank & Brok. A.	97	900	U. Pac	b. c. 38
100	Del. & Hud. C	114⅝	100	do	c. 28
100	Canton Co	102	200	do	27⅞
100	do	b. c. 102	100	do	27⅞
100	N. Y. C. & H	b. c. 104⅝	100	do	s3. 28
100	do	b3. 104¾	100	Morris & Es	b. c. 92
100	do	104⅝	8	Pitts., Ft. W. & C.	
77	Clev. & Pitts. G.	89¼		G'd	b. c. 93½
100	Pacific M.	b. c. 38⅜	100	Tol., Wab. & W.	
100	do	b3. 38⅜		b. c.	b3. 72⅝
100	do	38½	100	do	s3. 73¼
1200	do	37⅝	100	do	b3. 73½
100	do	s3. 37⅞	200	do	14,730 73⅝
100	do	37⅞	300	do	73¾
10	Adams Express	94½	100	B., H. & E.	b. c. s3. 92⅜
300	Western U.	b. c. 91½	50	Del., L. & West	100½
300	do	b3. 91½	200	do	100⅜
700	do	91⅝	100	do	100⅜
100	Pacific Mail	b3. 38	700	do	100⅜
100	N. Y. C. & H	s3. 104⅝	500	do	s3. 69
100	do	b60. 104⅝	100	do	69
200	do	104⅝	200	do	69⅛
300	Lake Shore	b3. 93¾	300	Ohio & Miss	c. 39¾
300	do	93¾	100	Tol. & Wab	72⅛
100	Union Pac	s3. 28	100	Han. & St. Jo	39
100	do	27⅝	100	do	40¾

MONDAY, July 28—P. M.

Street affairs presented few features of special interest to-day. The ease in Money enabled responsible borrowers to provide for their current wants quite promptly at late rates, the range on call loans having been from 3@5 ₱ cent., and on strictly choice to very good commercial paper, from 5½@7½ ₱ cent. per annum. The demand for accommodation was comparatively moderate, especially so from the prominent Government houses, who were supplied to the full extent of their requirements at the inside figures of 3@4 ₱ cent. Short-date business paper was in more request, while the offerings were on a restricted scale.

The speculative dealings at the Gold Board indicated a somewhat more confident temper on the part of the operators for a rise, and, though on the earlier transactions, in sympathy with the depression in foreign exchange, the price was weaker than at the close of Saturday, the market showed more firmness through the day on freer purchases. The range was from 115⅝@115¾ on the former, which latter figure was reached about noon. The subsequent course of the price was marked by less buoyancy, and the final quotation was 115⅜. The Gold Exchange Bank clearances were about $25,000,000. The customs revenue was $559,000. The disbursements of the Treasury office included $110,000, on account of interest on the public debt, and $14,000 in redemption of Five-twenty Bonds. The foreign exchanges showed weakness, and sales of prime sixty day sterling bills were reported from second hands at 108⅜@109, though the leading drawers were quoting at 109¼, with sight drafts at 109¾@109⅞. The business on to-day's market was not extensive. The Washington dispatches reported the Treasury coin balances this afternoon at $78,330,000, of which $42,600,000 represented coin certificates, and the currency balance as $9,140,000.

The Public Funds were strong in price, though transactions were limited, checked, in part, by the scarcity of the favorite issues in the open market. The Railway and miscellaneous share speculation opened the week quite buoyantly, with Western Union leading off and closing strong at 92⅜, as against 91½ on Saturday. The Vanderbilt stocks were fairly active, with Harlem shares irregular and, at the close, lower in price. Lake Shore, and Ohio and Mississippi, left off a fraction dearer, while Northwest Common and Pacific Mail a shade cheaper, and Erie weak, on the final dealings. The Railway mortgages were in moderate request, and the more substantial of the older loans found buyers, for investment account, at full rates. City Bank shares attracted more attention. State bonds were lightly dealt in. The general market was firm at the close.

Closing Quotations—JULY 28.

	Saturday.	Monday.
United States New 5s	116	115½
U. S. 5-20s, May and November	119¼	119¼
U. S. 5-20s, January and July	118⅜	118⅜
American Gold	115½	115⅝
Bills on London, 60 days	109⅛	109¼
N. Y. Central and Hudson	104⅜	104⅝
Chicago and Rock Island	110¾	110⅝
Pacific Mail	38¼	38
St. Paul Preferred	73⅜	73¾
St. Paul Common	51⅜	51⅝
Ohio and Mississippi	39⅜	39¾
Western Union Telegraph	91⅜	92⅜
Erie	59½	58⅜
Union Pacific	27⅞	28
Lake Shore	93¾	93¾
C., C. and Indiana Central	31¾	31¼
Toledo and Wabash	71½	72⅛
Harlem	133¾	132⅝
Atlantic and Pacific	26½	26½
North-west	69⅛	69⅛
Missouri Pacific	46	46½
Hannibal and St. Joseph	39¼	39¾

The following quotations were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ ct., reg., 1881	118⅜	5-20 coup., n. i., 1865	117⅞
6 ₱ ct., coup., 1881	120	5-20 coup., 1867	118⅝
5-20 reg., 1862	116¾	5-20 coup., 1868	118⅝
5-20 coup., 1862	117	10-40 registered	115
Called bonds, 1862	117	10-40 coupon	115½
5-20 coup., 1864	117⅝	6s coupon, 1881	115½
5-20 coup., 1865	119¼	6s Currency	114¼

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—JULY 28.

Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.

	Bid	Asked.
City 6s, old	97½	--
City 6s, new	101	--
Camden and Amboy	122	122¼
Pennsylvania Central	103½	103⅝
Reading	110¾	111
Lehigh Valley	63	63¼
Catawissa Preferred	42¾	43
Philadelphia and Erie	24¾	25
Northern Central	36½	--
Lehigh Navigation	30⅛	30¼
Lehigh Gold Loan	90¾	91

The following is a comparative table of the quantity of the leading kinds of Produce left at tide-water, Albany, from the commencement of navigation to and including the 22d of July, in the last three years:

	1871.	1872.	1873.
Canal opened.	April 24.	May 13.	May 15.
Flour, bbls	107,400	38,300	56,900
Wheat, bushels	5,705,100	2,308,000	5,914,300
Corn, bushels	7,110,300	9,507,800	4,663,400
Barley, bushels	40,400	401,500	22,200
Oats, bushels	1,311,300	2,352,200	1,356,400
Rye, bushels	37,900	204,300	519,000
Malt, bushels	373,700	381,200	312,600
Feed, lbs	2,941,300	3,274,700	2,915,900

The Philadelphia *Ledger* says of the coal trade of the week:

"The total anthracite marketed for the week ending on the 19th inst. amounted to 450,644 tons, and for the coal year 10,113,449 tons, against 9,959,201 tons to corresponding time last year, being an increase of 154,248 tons. The bituminous tonnage for the week is 58,349 tons, and for the year 1,222,909 tons, giving a total of all kinds for the week of 509,-193 tons, and for the year of 11,336,358 tons, against 11,083,216 to same time last year, being an increase of 313,142 tons. The trade continues steady, but without special feature. The policy of the parties controlling the anthracite coal trade, as established at the beginning of the year, rules at the present time, and we have no doubt will continue, as designed, to the end of the year. The supply of coal is now pretty full, but not so large, probably, as to make it necessary to venture upon the expensive operation of willfully and by connivance with the miners and laborers to stop production. The supply of coal so far this year, measured by the increase of population in the United States, falls considerably short. The increase in production from year to year is probably nearly equal to the increase in demand, though a comparison of the figures at the end of this year may show that this ratio has been interrupted or turned back. At present the demand is steady, and upon its continuing so depends the requisite supply of coal, for the coal cannot be produced to any great extent unless the market takes it. At Port Richmond for the week ending with the 26th inst., the receipts of coal were 61,000 tons, the shipments 65,000 tons, leaving 86,500 tons on hand. Vessels are still reported in fair supply, and freights, in the main, unchanged, at $1 35 to New-York; $2 to Providence, and $3 40 to Boston. The receipts of anthracite coal at Boston to the 19th inst., are 50,051 tons, less than corresponding date last year. Several other of the large centres of coal show similar falling off. Anthracite at Boston is selling at $8@$8 50 ₱ ton in retail lots, and at $7@$7 50 ₱ ton by the cargo prices."

The Midland Pacific Railway First Mortgage Interest Coupons of Aug. 1 will be paid by Messrs. Turner Brothers, on presentation, on and after that date.

Messrs. Turner Brothers will also pay the 1st of August Coupons on Peoria and Rock Island First Mortgage Bonds.

In conformity with a decree of the United States Circuit Court for the District of Iowa, a dividend is now payable to the holders of assented stock of the Mississippi and Missouri Railroad Company, on presentation of the Union Trust Company's certificates held by them, at the office of Messrs. Riggs & Co., No. 56 Wall-street.

The exports of Iron Rails from Great Britain, as compiled from official returns published by authority of Parliament, compare thus:

MONTH ENDING JUNE 30.

	1871.	1872.	1873.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
United States	44,919	37,178	18,016
British	12,566	10,052	9,669
Russia	12,731	7,911	14,462
Germany	3,509	2,080	3,818
Total to all countries	103,052	81,164	72,692
Old iron to all countries	13,937	14,589	2,074
Pig-iron to United States	14,642	25,178	8,968

SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30.

United States	244,784	259,011	120,468
British	27,279	28,298	29,774
Russia	46,929	21,664	47,780
Germany	32,260	26,735	26,375
Total to all countries	476,191	448,049	341,757
Old iron to all countries	58,611	56,021	41,355
Pig-iron to United States	92,669	119,173	63,183

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ TO INVESTORS.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY HAVING DETERMINED TO CLOSE ITS 7.30 FIRST MORTGAGE GOLD LOAN and thereafter to pay no higher rate of interest than 6 per cent. on further issues of its bonds, THE LIMITED REMAINDER OF THE 7 3-10 LOAN IS NOW BEING DISPOSED OF through the usual agencies.

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The Company now has more than 500 miles of its road built and in operation, including the entire Eastern Division connecting Lake Superior and the navigation of the Missouri River; the work of construction is progressing satisfactorily; the Company has earned title to nearly ten million acres of its land grant, and sales of lands have thus far averaged $5 68 per acre.

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WINSLOW & WILSON, No. 70 William-st.

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NAVAL STORES MARKET.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 28.—Spirits of Turpentine quiet; no sales reported. Resin quiet; $2 75 for No. 1; $3 for Low Pale; $3 25 for Pale. Crude Turpentine lower; $2 for Hard, $3 for Yellow Dip and Virgin. Tar steady at $3 55.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

NEW-YORK, Monday, July 28, 1873.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, pks	6	Crude Turp., bbls	35
Bees-wax, pks	1	Moss, bales	68
Copper, bbls	114	Lead, pigs	6,411
Cotton-seed Oil, bbls	30	Butter, pks	2,594
Dried Fruit, pks	191	Cheese, pks	7,849
Eggs, bbls	1,176	Tallow, pks	63
Beans, bbls	21	Starches, pks	52
Cotton, bales	5,647	Oil-cake, pks	1,420
Flour, bbls	9,188	Oil-meal, pks	330
Meals, bags	230	Lard, tes	328
Wheat, bushels	138,201	Lard, kegs	300
Corn, bushels	110,800	Butter, kgs	210
Oats, bushels	60,567	Pea-nuts, bags	147
Hemp, seed, bags	90	Rice, pks	85
Hemp, bales	43	Starch, pks	900
Hides, No	749	Tobacco, hhds	526
Hides, bdls	497	Tobacco, pks	1,044
Resin, bbls	4,033	Wool, bales	814
Spirits Turp., bbls	243	Whisky, bbls	815

The Export clearances hence for European ports, as reported at the Merchants' Exchange, Fine-street, were as follows:

By the steam-ship Batavia, for Liverpool—151 bales Oak, 97 bales Leather, 16 cases Opium, 90 bales Skins, 4,756 boxes Cheese, 91,400 bushels Wheat, 83 hhds. Tobacco, 400 bales Cotton, 53 tes. Tobacco.

By the brig Belle Walter, for Liverpool—2,571 bbls. Refined Petroleum.

By the bark Bayleta, for Cork and orders—2,140 bbls. Naphtha.

By bark S. P. Smith, for Barcelona—1,000 cases Petroleum, 1,141 bbls. Petroleum, 40 boxes Quercitron.

By the brig John Shay, for Lisbon—21 hhds. Tobacco, 56,880 Staves.

By the bark Massachusetts, for Hamburg—190 boxes Clocks, 180 tons Cedar, 4,896 bbls. Resin, 835 bbls. Spirits Turpentine, 3 cases Spokes, 43 logs Walnut.

ASHES—Pots have been selling to a fair extent in a j

The New York Times.

NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1873.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—MIMI—MR. DION BOUCICAULT, Miss Katharine Rogers, Miss Effie Germon.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES—Afternoon and evening.

CENTRAL PARK GARDEN.—SUMMER NIGHT'S CONCERT by Theo. Thomas' Orchestra.

LION PARK.—MILITARY CONCERT by the Saxon Band.

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☞ Advertisements for THE WEEKLY TIMES must be handed in before 10 o'clock this evening.

Our readers will learn with much regret the extent of the consequences of the late illness of Vice President WILSON, as reported from Washington. Mr. WILSON'S hardy constitution, though strained by a very laborious life, it is hoped will enable him to gradually recover the ground he has lately lost.

Some difference of opinion has arisen between the Treasury officials and the bankers who constitute the syndicate for placing the five per cent. loan. It is assumed to be by law made the duty of the Government to invest the *Alabama* indemnity in this loan. The syndicate claim to control the loan, and demand a commission on the amount of the indemnity. The present position of the Treasury Department is adverse to this claim. It would certainly be odd if the Government has been so tied up that it cannot invest a few millions in its own bonds without paying for the privilege a company of bankers employed without any reference to this business.

An answer to Mr. VAN NORT'S statement in regard to the appropriation for wooden pavements is, we understand, to be found in the following facts: The appropriations for 1873 were first determined on in December last, when the Commissioner of Public Works was a member of the Board of Apportionment. The sum then asked and granted for the repair of wooden pavements during the year was $60,000. Under the charter, the new Board of Apportionment revised the estimates of their predecessors, about the end of June. It was then found that not a dollar of the appropriation for the repair of wooden pavements had, so far, been expended. As the year was half gone, the Board concluded that half the original appropriation would be enough for the rest of the year. In addition to this appropriation, the Department of Public Works appears to have at its credit $90,000 for the repair of stone pavements, making $120,000 in all for this description of work. It is stated that a responsible contractor has made a minute examination of the streets of the City, and that, in a communication to the Mayor, he has offered, under proper security, to make all the necessary repairs upon the wooden and Belgian pavements of the City for $124,000. The amount granted to the Department of Public Works and that estimated by this contractor for the same work are, it will be seen, nearly identical. Either the contractor or the Department ought to be set promptly about the execution of the job.

The proposed marriage of the Duke of EDINBURGH to the Grand Duchess MARIE, of Russia, is discussed under a great variety of forms in England. The lady belongs to the Greek Church, and some of the English people do not like that. The *Daily Telegraph*—which, of course, knows all the secrets of the Court—assures the doubters that there is nothing wrong. "There is no objection to an English Prince or Princess marrying a personage of the Greek faith." After that opinion from the great authority in the country on all subjects, it is to be hoped the grumblers will be silent. Then there is another point. Will the marriage make allies of England and Russia? People who ask that question had better remember that the wife of the Prince of WALES is the daughter of a King of Denmark—and then consider what happened to Denmark not long ago, and what England did to prevent it.

There can be no doubt that a disease much resembling cholera has caused great mortality in many parts of the South-west. It is very desirable to have something like scientific facts concerning this epidemic, but thus far our sources of information are chiefly confined to the newspaper correspondents, who write rather loosely on the subject. The weather we are at present experiencing is about the very worst that could be imagined at such a season, and the Board of Health will do well to persevere in its efforts to cleanse the City. The Washington Market stalls are restored with slight alterations, and nothing has been done with Fulton or Centre Markets—both nursery-grounds of pestilence. The "cholera," which has thus far exhibited itself, seems of the European form, for it is a singular fact that nowhere in the East do we hear of an outbreak. We have news from India down to July 15, and cholera is not even mentioned. Nor does it seem to have shown itself in China. It is certainly not a general epidemic that we have to encounter, but too much care cannot be taken to keep the enemy at bay. No ships have yet arrived with cholera on board—another encouraging fact. We have at least six weeks of unhealthy weather before us, and the Board of Health should work hard to protect the community from the natural consequences of our past neglect.

Our mail service to England is in a very unsatisfactory condition. An anomalous and annoying fact in connection with it is that the later a letter is mailed the earlier it is likely to get to its destination. This seems absurd, but it is literally true. The midweek mail is sent on Wednesday, by the Williams & Guion line, notoriously a slow line. A letter by the Hamburg line on Thursday is sure to get to England before one sent on Wednesday. A letter sent on Saturday, by the White Star line, nearly always arrives before one sent on Wednesday, and some of the time before one sent on Thursday. The embarrassment and loss this inflicts on correspondents with England cannot be defined, but they are certainly very great. Importers and bankers are now sending letters by one mail, and copies of them by another, in order to catch any chance advantage that may come out of the confusion and mismanagement. Any one can see that this makes double labor, beside leaving business men in an uncomfortable condition of uncertainty. A letter from England, received in this City on Saturday afternoon, cannot be answered, or the answer cannot be sent with any confidence as to when it will reach its address, before the following Saturday. An exchange of letters thus occupies from twenty-seven to thirty days. This is a very unfortunate, and, we may add, a very discreditable condition of things.

The attention of mariners is called to the announcement made in our Washington dispatches concerning a new light and fog signal on the Eastern coast, and a new fog-signal at Fort Lafayette.

REUTER'S ELEPHANT.

Baron REUTER seems to be in difficulties concerning his bargain with the Shah of Persia. To carry out the terms of his contract is, of course, beyond the power of any one man. It requires a large amount of money to make the roads, work the mines, and develop the commerce of Persia. Baron REUTER calculated with great confidence upon easily getting this money in England. But somehow or other, people fight shy of the project. The English capitalist has been fleeced pretty heavily of late years, and the lesson begins to tell. Perhaps our readers would be surprised if they knew how many "bogus" railroad enterprises have been launched upon the English market during the last few years from this country alone. It is a regular business to get up a company, float the bonds in England—often under the authority of very respectable names—and then for the projectors to walk off with the money, and say no more about it. When they are asked for explanations, they say "all the money has been spent on the road." This game has been carried on to an incredible extent; persons supposed to be respectable have lent themselves to it, and the result is that even legitimate American enterprises are now looked upon with growing disfavor and suspicion.

The British capitalist is, then, in a very wary frame of mind. Even the visions of wealth which Baron REUTER has conjured up—visions as splendid as any which are to be found in the *Arabian Nights*—fail to induce them to unbutton their pockets. Who is Baron REUTER, after all, that people should rush to deposit their savings in his hands? A few years ago nobody had ever heard of him. He seems, however, to have a kind of talent for creating and building up monopolies. He managed to get a monopoly over certain telegraph lines, and thus placed the English newspapers under his thumb. They committed a great mistake in allowing REUTER to feed them with their news by spoonsful, putting the spoon only into what dishes he thought proper. See, for instance, how badly his work is done in this country. The news he sends over from here is got up in the most wretched manner, and is practically worthless to all American travelers abroad. But the English newspapers seem to be bound hand and foot to the astute German, and it is only wonderful that our great and wealthy contemporary, the London *Times*—still at the head of the English Press—has not long ago smashed REUTER and all his works, as it might do without much effort, if it once took the fit into its head.

Having succeeded, however, in this project of tying all the newspapers to his waistband, Baron REUTER—for he is a Baron now, and may be an English peer hereafter—conceived the still more daring project of acquiring a perpetual lease of Persia. Other people were to find the money to work the property, and he was to take the profit. He was to be like one of those shrewd persons who form companies, obtain their stock cheaply, sell it at par, and then quietly "get out." Now, the English shareholder does not seem to see it. Why should he put his money down in a country where he never could have any guarantee that it would be safe? The present Shah of Persia might repudiate his bargain at any moment—in all probability he would do so some day or other. Most certainly his successor would adopt that simple method the moment he came to power. REUTER would, of course, be all right. He would know how to take care of his own interests. But the poor, credulous, perpetually-victimized British shareholder would find himself plucked as clean as a robin. If he wanted his money, he would be told to go to—Persia and get it. Meanwhile, Baron REUTER would flourish like the green bay tree; he would have built himself larger houses than ever, and acquired a right to publish what leading articles he pleased in the English newspapers, and be ready to place a scheme upon the English market for working all the mines in the United States—including the Emma Mine.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* is very much disgusted with "city people" for looking askance at REUTER'S Persian pills. What, you mean to tell us, you will think of your money instead of your country's good? it seems to say to them. But how does the *Pall Mall* know that this Persian business would turn out to be for the welfare of the country? It would be far more likely to bring the country into all sorts of vexatious disputes and difficulties, and ultimately to lead it into a war. The Government was appealed to for help, and the Government very properly declined to have anything to do with the scheme. Cannot Mr.—we beg his pardon, Baron—REUTER make a fortune quite fast enough without the British Government assisting him? The *Pall Mall* moans in a piteous way about its folly and blindness: "This is not the way in which either the commerce or the safety of the country was dealt with in other times. Meanwhile, as all the world is learning now, the Russians are greedily bidding for Mr. REUTER and all the potentialities comprised in his concession." Let them bid. If the Russians like to get themselves in a mess, why should people in England care? Have they not enough on their hands just now in the shape of BISCHOFFSHEIM and Erie, the Emma Mine, and the innumerable railroad "enterprises" which have been planned for their especial benefit? Russia would protect her capital if she invested it in Persia. England probably would simply leave REUTER to explain matters to the shareholders. At present the worthy Baron is in a fix. He cannot get anybody to take his bargain off his hands, and he cannot manage it himself. He should try if some of our "smart" railroad projectors could do anything for him. Let him bring his elephant over here and see how much it would fetch.

THE LEGISLATION OF 1873.

At the recent session of the Legislature, very many statutes on subjects of general interest were enacted, and an account of some of the more important of these may be useful.

Corporations.—A familiar rule of law requires corporations to hold their corporate meetings within the State by whose law they exist. An important modification of this rule, and of the provision of the Revised Statutes founded upon it, (2 R. S., 458, §2,) is introduced by chapter 634 of the laws of 1873. This act permits foreign corporations to hold meetings of stockholders, as well as of directors, within this State, if their charter or the laws of their own State authorize them to do so. There are a large number of corporations, composed wholly or chiefly of residents of this State, but organized under the laws of some other State, where the corporate property or works are situated, and in such cases the stockholders have been obliged to go hence to another State whenever they wished to hold a meeting. This act will therefore tend to remove a great deal of corporate business to this City that heretofore could only be regularly done elsewhere.

Another act (chapter 151) in respect to domestic corporations gives stockholders who lose their certificates a summary mode of having their claim to the issue of new certificates tried by the courts, and if it be substantiated, requires them to give security to indemnify any person who may afterward successfully impeach their claim.

A recent statute (1 laws of 1871, page 187, chapter 84), for the protection of holders of coupon bonds issued by corporations, provided that any holder of such a bond, payable in this State, might indorse it with a statement that it is his property, and subscribe his name thereto and thus make it non-negotiable. Chapter 595 of 1873 in effect amends this act by expressly extending it to municipal as well as other corporate bonds and obligations (not currency nor registered pursuant to law). It is further provided that after being thus rendered non-negotiable, the bond may be transferred by an indorsement in blank or payable to bearer or to order, with the addition of the assignor's place of residence. An additional clause applies the same provisions to the interest coupons accompanying any such obligation. Both of these acts seem to have been drawn without noticing the act of 1870, (1 laws of 1870, page 988, chapter 438,) which contains a very similar provision as to rendering non-negotiable the bonds of villages, towns, cities, or counties of this State.

Chattel Mortgages.—An act of importance to creditors, (chapter 501, amending laws of 1833, c. 279,) requires that chattel mortgages be re-filed (with the usual statement) *every successive* year so long as they remain unpaid. Heretofore one re-filing, at the end of the first year, has been enough.

Proof of Inheritance.—One of the most important acts affecting property is chapter 552, with the title, "An act in relation to lands of which parties die seized."

Every lawyer, and many owners of real estate, have experienced the uncertainty and inconvenience occasioned in land titles from the number of facts, which are of a nature to be material to a valid title, and which yet cannot become matter of record unless litigation arises involving them. Such, for instance, is the question whether a man who conveyed land years ago, and who is now known only as a name, was then unmarried; —if he had a wife, who knows but that she may turn up and claim dower? Such facts have to be inquired for here or there, and are often taken on trust, as, after a lapse of time, the knowledge of them rests only on hearsay or tradition. At various times the project of an official examination and registry of titles has been mooted; but we have hitherto got no further than the record of written instruments affecting title. Perhaps the most serious source of embarrassment in this respect is in connection with inheritance. The validity of a deed by an heir depends on the actual death of his ancestor, the fact that he left no will, the fact of relationship, the question whether there were other heirs, and other such matters, upon some of which a mistake may impair the title even a long time after the event.

The act above mentioned provides a method by which heirs may have proof of such matters taken in the Surrogate's Court, and have the results recorded in the record of deeds.

There seems to be no good reason why the same method of perpetuating presumptive evidence might not advantageously be applied to other facts which now rest on verbal testimony; and if this proceeding shall be found convenient in practice, it is to be hoped that it may prove a first step toward the simplification of land titles.

Marriage and Adoption.—Chapter 25, amending 2d Revised Statutes 140, sections 11, 13, requires the magistrate or minister celebrating a marriage to ascertain from the respective parties their right to contract marriage, and empowers him for that purpose to examine them, as well as any other person, under oath, and the form of the marriage certificate is modified slightly in consequence. The adoption of children is now, for the first time in this State, regulated by positive law. The courts are frequently called upon, as every reader of the newspapers know, to settle controversies as to the custody of children who are claimed by gift or adoption, and questions of pecuniary right are sometimes litigated, where the earnings of an adopted or emancipated child are in question.

Chapter 830 recognizes the validity of effectual adoptions hitherto made, with some qualification, however, in case of children who were abandoned by parents, but declares that hereafter (the act took effect the 15th of this month) no child can be adopted, nor can any child that has been adopted be deprived of the rights of adoption, except by a consent and agreement made in presence and with the approval of the county judge.

The following restrictions are placed on the right of adoption: A minor cannot adopt a child, nor can a married person without the consent of his or her wife or husband, unless they are lawfully separated.

Consent is necessary on the part of the child if it be over twelve, and on the part of the parents living, or, if they be dead, of some adult having lawful custody of the child, except that the father's consent is not necessary if the child be illegitimate.

The parental consent is unnecessary, too, from a father or mother deprived of civil rights, or adjudged guilty of adultery or cruelty, or who is for either cause divorced, or who is adjudged insane, or an habitual drunkard, or is judicially deprived of custody of the child on account of cruelty or neglect. So, also, where the parent has abandoned the child.

The adopted child takes its parents' name, and becomes for all legal purposes, except rights of property, the child of the person adopting it. The parents cease to have any rights or responsibilities toward it.

The act last mentioned is a model of legislative expression. If the other laws were as well drafted as this and one or two others, they would be far more clear, and occupy less than half the immense bulk they now do.

THE CITY PRISON QUESTION.

The City Prison Commission held a meeting yesterday, and by the very able and exhaustive report submitted by Controller GREEN, the following facts are very clearly brought out. In the opinion of those best able to judge, the site of the Tombs is not an unwholesome one. No epidemic has ever been known there, and the internal arrangement of the prison, in which alone there is anything unhealthful, could easily be improved, in a sanitary sense, by some expenditure for new plumbing work, for improved ventilation, and for additional drainage. So badly constructed is the present building that out of the 184 cells in the prison, only 145 are fit to be used. As many of the cells at present contain two and three prisoners each, the Tombs may be fairly said to be crowded. In the opinion of the Department of Charities and Correction, a few extensions and alterations on the present building are all that is needed to supply the wants of the City for the next fifty years. Unfortunately, however, the law is mandatory as to the abandonment of the present site and the selection of a new one. Within the next twenty days or so the Commissioners must fix upon a site for the erection of a new building "to be used as a City Prison and Bridewell." This fact furnishes a very good illustration of the hasty and haphazard character of the statutes which are constantly being produced under our existing methods of law-making. Had such a report as this been called for before the bill was passed, the City would have been saved a good deal of needless expense. As it was, the interests of the public were represented by no one save the schemers who engineered the bill, and the result is as we see it—an obligation prematurely incurred to the detriment of the tax-payers and the prospective gain of a few contractors or real-estate speculators.

By a tolerably convincing process of reasoning, the Controller arrives at the conclusion that any wide departure from the present site of the Tombs, would be highly injudicious. The City Prison is simply a place of temporary detention for criminals who are held for trial. There is no special necessity why such a receptacle for unconvicted prisoners should be near either the geographical centre or the centre of population of the island. But there is a special necessity for keeping the prisoners near the lower courts, in which, for the most part, they will be first tried, and the higher courts before which their appeals would be brought. The City Prison bill provides for accommodating the Courts of Sessions, the City Judge, the Recorder, and the Police Court, in a building immediately adjoining, or forming part of the prison itself. This is about the only feature of the bill which is perfectly defensible, since the withdrawal of such of these courts as are already accommodated in the buildings in the City Hall Park will furnish much-needed room for the executive departments of the City. It will also avoid the frequent exhibition of handcuffed prisoners in transit from the Tombs to the courts around the City Hall. In determining the site of the lower courts, and consequently of the City Prison, the site of the higher courts must be taken into account. The prosecuting officers of the people have to attend both classes of courts, almost daily, and the legal profession, generally, have some reason to claim that their convenience should be consulted in this matter.

These considerations point very strongly to the selection of a new site for the City Prison and courts, near to that now occupied by the Tombs. The freight depot of the Harlem Railroad is erected on ground belonging to the City, and so is the old Arsenal building on the next block above. To erect a City Prison, having 1,000 cells and including all the modern improvements known in this department of architecture, would require a piece of ground containing 40,000 square feet. The existing prison covers 45,000 square feet, so that the waste of space in the building is obvious enough. For the erection of the criminal courts required by the law another 40,000 square feet is necessary. The freight depot and the arsenal building together cover about 55,000 square feet. It will thus be seen that a new prison could be built on the two blocks above the Tombs, and that the courts could be placed on the present site of the prison. Should the Commissioners agree to adopt this plan, they must do it on the tacit understanding that chapter 570, laws of 1871, is to be either carried into effect at once, or repealed by the next Legislature. That law gave the Commissioner of Public Works power, within six months after its passage, "to change the present grades, and establish new grades for the streets embraced within the area bounded by Chambers, Bleecker, and Chatham streets, Broadway, and the Bowery." The proposed new grade would elevate Centre-street at the Tombs thirteen feet above its present level, and would, in any case, necessitate the rebuilding of the prison. A new building could not safely be begun before the street level has been finally settled. The site referred to is at once the most convenient and the least expensive to the city, but the Commissioners before deciding upon it will require to take for granted two rather doubtful things. The first of these is the certainty that the next Legislature will modify the City Prison bill so as to enable them to retain instead of selling the present site of the Tombs, and the other is that they can readily decide whether the bill for altering the street grade from Chambers to Bleecker-street should be executed or repealed.

A SWIM FOR LIBERTY.

A veritable escape was made in Australian waters, a few weeks since, almost as amazing as that of Edmond Dantes, in the novel of *Monte Cristo*. It seems that the French transport steamer *L'Orne* had put into the lower harbor of Melbourne for coal and provisions. On board were 500 Communists, bound for the French penal settlement of New-Caledonia. The sentinels on duty were quadrupled in number, and the ship was kept brilliantly illuminated with lanterns. Boats were stationed at judicious distances, and all conceivable precautions taken to prevent any of the convicts from escaping. But by an extraordinary combination of courage, good fortune, and physical endurance, one MICHEL SERIGNE managed to effect his departure from the vessel and his arrival on shore, a distance of seven miles; where, since there is no expatriation for political offenses, he walks to-day a free man.

According to the Melbourne *Argus*, SERIGNE, having watched his opportunity for several hours, rolled out of a port-hole into a collier, which had been brought alongside to furnish the steamer with coal. A guard with a Chassepot was close by, but the prisoner executed his critical movement just as the sentry was moving from him, and before he turned. SERIGNE fell amid the coals, and, with great swiftness and dexterity, covered himself up among them. Here he lay until after midnight, his first descent having been made at about 9. He now stealthily lowered himself overboard and swam to the collier's stern, where a boat was fastened. Cutting the rope, he gently pushed the boat away, swimming behind it. The night was dark, there was no moon, and it rained. When 300 yards away, SERIGNE heard a noise on board the steamer, and made up his mind his escape was discovered. He naturally inferred that the absence of the boat would be instantly noted, and that, if seen, she would at once be fired upon. He therefore instantly left her, dived well beneath the surface, and rose again some distance off. All was quiet again on board the ship, but he dared not return to the boat, and struck out for the shore. He could see the lights at Sandridge, but knew not how far they might be away. After swimming nearly an hour, he felt that he could continue no longer. Happily, at this juncture he espied a vessel at anchor, and contrived to struggle to her cable. Fearing he should faint, and so sink, he lashed himself to the cable with his belt. For an hour or more he rested, and then disengaged himself, and again struck out for the shore. Greatly exhausted, he managed at last to gain the beach at Sandridge, and thence, in the morning, he walked into Melbourne. He had heard, he said, that having once touched English soil he was free, and so had no fear of being given up. On the line taken, it appeared that he must have swam nearly nine miles—the distance achieved by DUMAS' marvelous hero when he escaped from the Chateau D'If. The poor man was naturally in quite a destitute state, and, as it turned out that he had been quite a harmless member of the Commune, he found many sympathizers, who will see to it that he has a comfortable provision for the future. There are few instances in the annals of remarkable escapes where the chances of success have been so slender, and where difficulties were surmounted with such determined pluck and energy. If SERIGNE can make as good a battle for success in life as he has shown he can make for liberty, he will be heard of again in the world, and Australia may congratulate herself on the acquisition of an enterprising citizen, although at the expense of New-Caledonia.

MILITARY PICNICS.

The declared intention of the Police Commissioners to prohibit, hereafter, public parades of "target" companies and other "unauthorized and irresponsible armed bodies," will meet with general approval. Hitherto such parades have commonly had for their object excursions to some suburban locality, where the paraders got drunk with great expedition and unanimity, and then took to fighting with equal vigor, not unfrequently winding up with a general sack of the neighborhood. The exploits of the Knights of Columbia, at their picnic in Lion Park last Wednesday evening—which, indeed, furnished the immediate incentive to the action of the Police Board—sufficiently indicate the usual character and result of these parades. The gallant Knights, having exhausted other sources of amusement, set to work to kill the musicians whom they had engaged to enliven their excursion, and it required all the reserve force of the Twenty-third Precinct, and several broken heads, to cool their ardor.

To avoid so far as possible a repetition of such excesses, the Commissioners resolved at their meeting of Friday, the 25th inst., "not to grant a permit to any organized body of men with arms to parade on the streets of this City, except the organizations excepted by chapter 590 of the laws of 1872, and other legally-organized military bodies from other States." The language of this resolution is less precise than it might be. The organizations excepted in this law referred to, which is entitled "An act to regulate processions and parades in the cities of the State of New-York," are the national guard and the police and fire departments. They are excepted from an obligation imposed on all other processions and parades to give to the police authorities, under pain of prohibition, "six hours' written notice of their object, time, and route." The Police Commissioners, therefore, in excepting the national guard, police, and fire departments from the operation of this new regulation appear to be graciously granting a permission they have no power to withhold. Indeed, from the wording of the act of 1872, it is not clear that they are anxious to forbid any procession or parade of which the prescribed notice has been given. In such cases, the act goes on, "it may be lawful for the police authorities to designate what width of street may be occupied by the parade," and "it shall be their duty to furnish such escort as may be necessary to protect persons and property, and maintain the public peace and order."

Undoubtedly, however, the granting of such permits as are intended in Gen. DURYEE'S resolution, come within the general discretionary powers of the police, and we mention the matter chiefly to add a regret that our legislative acts are so often framed with this unnecessary looseness. More to the purpose is the fact that not in their parading lies the chief objection to these "irresponsible armed bodies," but in the recklessness and debauchery which generally mark their picnicing, and as generally take place beyond the City limits. The same objection applies to many of the unmilitary picnics, which are often, for the young people, especially who crowd to them—schools of immorality and crime. On all such orgies the police should keep a strict eye, and if they cannot prevent them, they can at least do much to lessen their indecency and wickedness.

THE LATE JUDGE STEELE, OF VERMONT.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The death of this young and most promising lawyer and statesman, whose abilities were just beginning to shine outside the limits of his native State, but which, had death spared him, would have ere long given him a national reputation, deserves a notice in the metropolitan Press of the country. A graduate with the highest honors of Dartmouth, he became, at the age of twenty-eight, the most learned judge on the Supreme Bench of the State of Vermont. Retiring from the Bench to give attention to his private affairs, he took with him the confidence and highest regard of the whole people. In the Fall of 1870 he desired to represent the Second Congressional District of Vermont in the Congress of the United States, and during that time he addressed the people of the district, with great effect, on the leading subjects for political discussion. In the Republican Convention to name a candidate he was defeated by Judge Poland, yet, such was the affection of the people for him, that thousands bolted the nomination, notwithstanding Judge Steele's wishes and efforts to the contrary. He was a delegate to the last Republican National Convention that nominated Grant, and chiefly drafted the preamble and resolutions adopted by that body. In the Presidential canvass of 1872 he took a leading part, and was undoubtedly the ablest Republican on the stump either in New-Hampshire or Vermont. But he was losing hold rapidly on earth. Consumption claimed him as one of her millions of victims. In the Spring of 1873 he went to Minnesota, hoping for beneficial results upon his health, only to realize those bitter words, "Too late." He died recently there, and his remains were brought on and buried in the old family cemetery at Hartland, Vt. At thirty-eight the battle of life is over. Judge Steele was in all respects a gentleman. Refined in his manners, modest in his bearing, agreeable and genial in his conversation, true to his friends and charitable to his enemies. He has seen "the last of earth," but his memory long will be cherished among the people living in the valleys and on the green hills of his beloved native State.

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THE CHILDREN'S FUND.

The following additional contributions to the Poor Children's Excursion Fund have been received, and are duly acknowledged:

R. D. Alliger	$25 00
Clark's Hill, Stamford, Conn.	12 00
In Memory of Little Willie	10 00
F. W. Ware	5 00
B.	5 00
Trevor and Carl	2 00
Total	$59 00
Previously recorded	3,253 31
Aggregate of Fund	$3,312 31
Amount expended to date	3,934 93
Balance in hand	$4,377 38

The seventh excursion will be given on Saturday next, Aug. 2, when the poor children of the Fourth Ward will be taken to Oriental Grove, on Long Island. This picnic will be known as the "Stock Exchange Excursion," as the members have contributed more than enough to defray all the expenses. The children will be gathered up by Capt. Charles Ullman and his subordinates, of the Fourth Precinct, and the Captain will also accompany the excursion to see all of the little ones safe home again. The tickets will be distributed on Thursday. Further details will be given in a few days.

BLACK STATES AND WHITE.

The proposition to create a new State formed of the upper counties of Mississippi and those counties in Tennessee which lie west of the Tennessee River, and to be called the State of Jackson, receives an explanation from the Wilmington (N. C.) *Journal*, a "Democratic" paper, as follows: "The movement finds its greatest impetus in the desire of the white people of North Mississippi to escape from the difficulties of negro domination. The rich lands of the lower Mississippi Valley are constantly receiving an increase of colored population from the older States of the South, over 30,000 colored people having left Georgia alone within the last twelve months for Mississippi and Louisiana. In view of the probable continuance of this large and increasing migration of the colored race, many intelligent white men of those two States have lost all hope of ever securing the political control of those States to their own race; and, as a remedy for the evil, the people of North Mississippi, where the whites are in the majority, seek annexation to Tennessee or the formation of a new State. While it cannot be denied that the evil of which the people of North Mississippi complain is a very grievous one, it must be admitted that the remedy proposed for its redress is one not altogether pleasant to contemplate. If it be true, as represented, that the colored people are migrating to the lower Mississippi lands, and that the white people are leaving them, and that from time to time many large cotton and sugar plantations are being abandoned by their former owners and divided and sold to colored people, it will be difficult to prevent the project for the formation of the new State of Jackson, and to prevent projects for the formation of other new States, from receiving constantly-increasing strength. The same principle of segregation, if it shall be carried out by the people of North Mississippi, will doubtless lead to radical changes in the States of Louisiana, Alabama, and Florida also, and thereby surrender one of the finest and most fertile lands of the South to the possession of purely black commonwealths. The evil is a desperate one, but the remedy is scarcely less so, because of the almost unconquerable love and attachment that people have for their homes and their birth-places. The wrong and injury that will be done to the white people on the Gulf coast, if they shall be compelled to abandon their homes and their property, will be incalculable; and on this account the remedy seems a deplorable one; but great as the wrong and incalculable as the injury may be, the consequences of unification and amalgamation of the races will be far more disastrous.

The other objections to the proposed method of avoiding the solution of the great problem of the day, to wit: How long can two races, separate and distinct in color at least, with equal rights before the law, occupy a country in common, without fighting or without amalgamating, are not worthy of grave consideration in view of the opposing advantages. The Northern press does not take the same view of the question, and looking at it from a Northern partisan standpoint, it is not to be expected that it should. The congregation of the colored race into a few States of their own, in a political point of view, will not be objectionable to Conservatives in the South, or, indeed, in the North."

THE CENTENNIAL—PLANS FOR THE BUILDINGS.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—Plans for the centennial buildings were placed on exhibition to-day in the lecture-room of the Old University building, and inspected by a large number of persons. The popular shape is of the parallelogram, and nearly all are surmounted by domes of imposing proportions.

LONG BRANCH.

THE COTTAGES AND THEIR OCCUPANTS.

GROWTH OF THE WATERING-PLACE—FASHIONABLE PEOPLE AND THEIR RESIDENCES.

From Our Special Correspondent.

OCEAN HOUSE, LONG BRANCH, }
Monday, July 28, 1873. }

Newport has been a watering-place for two hundred years, Saratoga for a hundred, but Long Branch for a comparatively very short time. A place where people stop for a few hours to eat fish can hardly be called a watering-place, and yet this is all that Long Branch was for many years. The gray-haired sires who know the past consider that it was only recognized among other Summer resorts ten years ago. This may be so, but it is certain that the cottage development in the region beyond the West End Hotel was the first true indication of the position which Long Branch must take in the future. That it will be the Brighton of America cannot be doubted. For reasons unnecessary to state Cape May, a most excellent bathing-place, will never be able to grow much larger than it is. It is within a few years of its maturity, and will then remain for centuries, perhaps, exactly as it is. The wealthy residents of Baltimore and Philadelphia will always go there at the commencement of the Summer season, and will then flock to Long Branch before they go to the mountains or Saratoga. But it is not from them or from the cottages which they will build that Long Branch will derive its largest support. The sources of the future prosperity of Long Branch seem to me to depend upon the people of moderate incomes, for whom accommodations are being made more and more every year. This will make Long Branch of a duplex character. It will be at once the Margate and the Brighton of our country. The town proper, which is two miles away from the beach, will be the resort of those who want sea air and sea bathing on moderate terms. And the hotels along the beach and the cottages beyond them will remain as they now are, the resort of the well-to-do.

There can be little doubt that the Jersey Central line will be pushed definitely forward to Long Branch before the end of this year, and will in the late Spring commence running excursion-trains from New-York and Philadelphia, and the big towns of New-Jersey. Their progress has been impeded hitherto by the struggles of the Pennsylvania Central to baulk the project by preventing their bridging the Raritan River from South Amboy over to Perth Amboy. Five times has the battle been waged in the law courts, and five times has Tom Scott been ignominiously defeated. No other resort is now open to him save the United States Courts, and he will think twice before he goes there. The line will, after crossing the bridge, pass through Englewood, through the beautiful woods of Marcus Spring, the well-known abolitionist and humanitarian, to Matteawan, Keyport, Middletown, Holmdell, Red Bank, and Branchport, to the village of Long Branch. There will be a depot there and a continuation of the line to the sea, the terminal depot being situated in that large lot of John Taylor Johnstone, which lies west of Isaac's and the Pavilion. This line will make the village of Long Branch our Margate, and will enormously raise the value of what is called here the back property, that is to say the lands down in the valley two miles away from the sea.

Jay Gould and his Jersey Southern say that they can beat the time of the Central line with their boats. This may be the case or not, for the distance by the new line must be close upon fifty miles, and by express this would take from one hour and twenty minutes to one hour and thirty-five minutes. Gould says that it will take fully two hours. Be this as it may, I firmly believe that there need be no fighting between them. There are so many people that love the sail, and so many others that are afraid of it, that each will get a fair percentage of the traveling public. But the competition will bring down the price of transit, and, more than that, will place Long Branch within easy access of a new region for all her supplies, so that a great reduction in the cost of everything may be expected next year. But the Jersey Southern pins its faith firmly on the men who like to spend their money. So they propose to enter to the cottages and to extend their line to Ocean Grove. They did intend to run due south from their present depot, going back of the line of hotels along the beach, and having one depot in rear of the West End Hotel, and another at that part of Lincoln-avenue which is close to the Deal Turnpike road. From this point they would have run directly to Deal and thence to Ocean Grove. This would have been a very excellent route, and they had commenced breaking the ground, raising embankments, and making cuttings when the whole thing came to grief by the extortionate demands of one or two petty landholders. The matter of appraisal had been put into the hands of commissioners, and these gentlemen, from causes which it is needless to investigate, chose to sanction the price of $9,500 which a man demanded for a lot of a quarter of an acre on Lincoln-avenue. This was in curious contrast to the acts of others. One public-spirited gentleman had said, "Go ahead; I'll charge you nothing. I don't believe in obstructing railroads." An old lady, Mrs. Wooley, whose land formerly extended all over this region, offered as much as they required at $1,000 an acre, but this individual wanted to be paid for his land at the rate of $38,000 per acre, and as the commissioners thought that a fair price, the railway men abandoned that route, and left the commissioners to lament over their short-sightedness. Jay Gould doubtless would not have been scared by one such attempt, but he thought (with very good reason for so thinking) that a ring had been formed by the guileless villagers, and as in passing back of the beach he would have to take a number of small lots, he smelt the coming of very large mice, and determined on a new line. The route now proposed goes along the Philadelphia extension for two miles, and then runs east of Long Branch village, parallel with the Deal Turnpike road, crossing it at a point west of Lincoln-avenue. This route will traverse the property of Charles Chamberlain, Esq., the relative of Mr. Hoey, and it is pleasing to record that he has shown the same public spirit as the gentleman who offered his land gratuitously on the other line. The depot for the cottages will probably be in West Wooda, which bulge out on Cedar-avenue, and are at the present moment inhabited by a tribe of humbugging gypsies, who foretell the future without knowing either the present or the past. One of them offered to tell my future for a dollar, and I at once offered to tell hers for half the money.

There are, as is well known, many cottages along the line of Ocean-avenue, between the Metropolitan and the West End Hotel. Judge Cardozo, Theodore Moss, Joseph Seligman, Jesse Seligman, old Mr. Morris, the auctioneer of Long Branch, who has sold every hotel in turn—all these have their cottages in what may be termed the hotel part of the place. But the cottage region proper is confined to that part of Long Branch which lies beyond the West End Hotel. The history of this part is somewhat curious. In 1860 a gentleman named Lewis B. Brown was doing a heavy business down South. When the signs of the coming storm became manifest to everybody, all said, "Brown will go with the South against his convictions, for he is owed half a million of dollars by the Southerners, and if he is against them, and there comes a war, will lose every dollar of the money." The war came, and found Mr. Brown an ardent abolitionist. He left the South and his half a million, and went up to live in Westchester County, along the Sound, about three miles from Harlem. He brought with him a colored servant, whom he brought to the polls with him, and this created much unpleasantness, especially among the Irish of the vicinity. When the bloody riot of '63 took place, a villainous wave came up into Westchester County and stirred up the Irish there to negrophobia and robbery. A party from West Plains, drunk with fanaticism, assisted by whisky, called upon Mr. Brown and requ

THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

The only auction sale of real estate noted to be held at the Exchange yesterday, Monday, July 28, was that of the house and lot, 25.9 by 100, situate on the north-east corner of Second-avenue and Eleventh-street, by A. H. Muller & Son, under the direction of Geo. L. Ingraham, Esq., referee. The sale was adjourned to Monday, Aug. 4, by order of the Supreme Court. No other business was transacted at the Exchange. In addition to the proposed auction sales of real estate noted in our list of yesterday, the following will be held:

TO-DAY'S AUCTIONS.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., (at the Exchange, by order of trustees of the United States, the balance of the "Norton" property, situate at Plainfield, N. J.

By William Kennelly, at the Exchange, Supreme Court foreclosure sale, G. L. Ingraham, Esq., referee, of the house and lot No. 563 Cherry-street, on map made by Francis Marschalk.

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., at the Exchange, Supreme Court foreclosure, J. N. Lewis, referee, of house and lot on the west side of Third-avenue, 76.8 feet north of Seventy-eighth-street, 25.6 by 100.

By Jere. Johnson, Jr., on the grounds, at Darien Station, Conn., 200 villa plots and building sites, and a farm-house and two beautiful cottages; also, a splendid herd of thorough-bred cattle.

By J. Goodenough will sell to-morrow, Wednesday, July 30, on the grounds, at Schiller's Park, fifteen miles north of New-York, via Erie Railway, 200 building lots. An excursion-train will leave foot of Twenty-third-street at 11:45 A. M., foot of Chambers-street 12 M., and Jersey City at 12:15 P. M. on day of sale.

E. A. Lawrence & Co. will also sell on the grounds at Jamaica, Long Island, 200 lots of land, situate on Fulton-street.

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW-YORK.

Friday, July 25.

Carriage way on e. s. of Gramercy Park, n. e. corner of 20th-st., 23x81; carriage-way on e. s. of Gramercy Park, 23 ft. n. of 20th-st., 57x81; carriage-way on e. s. of Gramercy Park, 80 ft. n. of 20th-st., 25x81; carriage-way on e. s. of Gramercy Park, 105 ft. n. of 20th-st., 39.6x81; 21st-st., s. s., 81 ft. above carriage-way, 44x78.10; 20th-st., n. s., 81 ft. e. above carriage-way, 42x100..... $10,000

Great Jones-st., s. s., 539.6 ft. e. of Broadway, 25x96..... 26,000

26th-st., n. s., 284 ft. e. of 9th-av., 91x98.9..... 44,000

75d-st., n. s., 368 ft. e. of Avenue A, 23.1x102.5... 2,325

42d-av., e. s., 41.5 ft. w. of 38th-st., 16.6x100.. 30,000

9th-av., e. s., 41 ft. w. of 23d-st., 19x65..... 25,000

9th-av., e. s., 60 ft. w. of 23d-st., 20x65..... 30,000

9th-av., e. s., 22 ft. w. of 23d-st., 19x65..... 29,500

150th-av., s. e. corner of 150th-st., 99.11x325... 50,000

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FOR SALE—CLIFFSIDE, ON THE HUDSON, twenty-eight miles from New-York; one of the most desirable places on the river; superb mountain and river views; perfectly healthy, no chills and fever; pure water; modern house, ten rooms, besides bath-room, pantries, &c.; gardener's cottage and large barn; twenty acres of land and lawn, pasturage and garden. For photographs and other particulars, apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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LOST,—THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATES OF PHILadelphia and Reading Railroad Company Stock, Nos. 15,114, 13,571; 100 shares each, in the name of Ascan Backus. The public are cautioned against negotiating the same, as transfer has been stopped, and new certificates applied for.

NEW-YORK, July 28, 1873.

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WANTED AGENTS.—WORTHY THE SPECIAL notice of old and experienced canvassers. Those celebrated steel line engravings, viz: "Cole's Voyage of Life," four beautiful pictures, representing Childhood, Youth, Manhood, and Old Age; now offered by canvassers for the first time. Price reduced to suit the masses; nothing like it ever offered to the American public; extraordinary terms and inducements; full particulars free. Address B. B. RUSSELL, Publisher, No. 55 Cornhill, Boston.

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7 PER CENT. BONDS.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ACT OF LEGISLATURE PASSED APRIL 27, 1872, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO SUPPLY THE CITY OF ROCHESTER WITH PURE AND WHOLESOME WATER," THE SAID CITY IS AUTHORIZED TO BORROW AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING THREE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, AND TO ISSUE BONDS THEREFOR, AND PLEDGE THE CREDIT OF THE CITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE SAME WITH INTEREST.

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We offer the above bonds for Sale at PAR and interest from July 1, and unqualifiedly recommend them as a FIRST-CLASS investment. They have THIRTY YEARS to run, with interest payable January and July, at the office of the Transfer Agency, the Union Trust Company of New-York, and are issued in COUPON or REGISTERED FORM.

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20 YEARS'

7 Per Ct. Improvement Bonds.

INTEREST PAYABLE JANUARY AND JULY 1, AT THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, JERSEY CITY.

PROPOSALS FOR $2,000,000.

Sealed proposals for any part of the above will be received by the undersigned authorized agents until Aug. 5, 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., bids to be made with accrued interest. The Director of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and the County Collector reserve the right to reject all bids not deemed for the interest of the county.

They are authorized by virtue of an act of the Legislature approved April 4, 1873, entitled an act to provide for opening and maintaining an avenue in Hudson County. The county is authorized to borrow $2,000,000, issue bonds therefor, and pledge the credit of the county for payment of the principal and interest.

The county has a population of nearly 150,000, an assessed valuation of $100,000,000, and a market value of over $200,000,000. It includes the rapidly growing cities of Jersey City and Hoboken, and the whole western water-front of New-York Harbor.

The bonded and floating debt of the county is one million two hundred thousand dollars, ($1,200,000.)

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NOW COMPLETED AND FULLY EQUIPPED.

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We offer these bonds for sale at 90 and accrued interest, believing them to be a secure, as well as a profitable investment. Full particulars furnished on application.

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PARIS AND DECATUR RAILROAD COMPANY.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE, PARIS, Ill., July 22, 1873.

In accordance with the terms of the trust deed made by this Company to the Union Trust Company, providing for a cumulative sinking fund, the following bonds have been drawn by lot by said Union Trust Company, and may be presented upon the 6th day of August next, at the office of the said Union Trust Company in New-York, or at the office of Messrs. Grant Brothers & Co., Bankers, London; and notice is hereby given that upon that date, by the terms of said trust deed, these bonds will cease to draw interest: 1,352, 912, 357, 1,802, 2,137, 412, 81, 1,192, 2,218, 1,544, 582, 361, 1,824, 1,459, 2,323, 243, 2,069, 779, 2,376, 2,263, 1,828, 1,774, 493, 1,644, 573, 1,981, 1,006, 2,300, 158, 1,097, 1,768, 725, 101, 216, 2,067, 2,106, 829, 1,496, 467, 1,295, 2,337, 1,361, 2,133, 2,351, 1,383, 138, 2,262, 206, 261, 245, 2,167, 5.

ROBERT G. HERVEY, President.

PROPOSALS FOR $500,000.

ASSESSMENT FUND STOCK OF THE COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Controller's office until WEDNESDAY, July 30, 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., for

Assessment Fund stock of the County of New-York.....$500,000

For full information see *City Record*.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

City of New-York, Department of Finance, Controller's Office, July 17, 1873.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,

BANKERS, NO. 8 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

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PROPOSALS FOR $500,000 ASSESSMENT FUND STOCK.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the Controller's office until WEDNESDAY, July 30, 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the whole or any part of the sum of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF ASSESSMENT FUND STOCK OF THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK, authorized by chapter 565, section 7, laws of 1865.

By order of ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.

For particulars see the *City Record*.

MONTGOMERY AND EUFAULA RAILROAD.

Holders of the Mortgage Bonds of this Railroad are requested to call at the office of GEORGE OPDYKE & CO., No. 25 Nassau-st., before Aug. 1, to arrange for a lease of the Railroad to protect their interests.

OFFICE CLEVELAND AND MAHONING VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 25, 1873.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the Cleveland and Mahoning Valley Railway Company, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Cleveland, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of August, 1873. The transfer-books of stock will be closed for ten days previous to and including said day. DANIEL J. DAY, Secretary.

INSURANCE SCRIP.—ATLANTIC, COMMERCIAL AND UNION SCRIP, wanted by WM. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

GERMAN UP-TOWN SAVINGS BANK.

Nos. 906 and 908 3d-av., corner of 55th-st.

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Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M., and on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and SATURDAYS also, from 6 to 8 in the evening. CHRISTIAN SCHWARTZ, President.

CHAS. SCHAPPNER, Secretary and Treasurer.

DEPOSIT TO-DAY.

THE FREEDMAN'S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY, Chartered by the United States.

No. 185 Bleecker-st., New-York.

ASSETS.....OVER $4,000,000.

J. W. ALVORD, President.

G. W. STICKNEY, Actuary.

A. M. SPERRY, General Inspector.

SAM L. HARRIS, Manager.

☞ Send for circular. JOHN J. ZUILLE, Cashier.

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Corner 8th-av. and West 34th-st.

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JAMES O. BENNETT, Secretary.

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C. W. BRINCKERHOFF, Secretary.

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New and Second hand, of FIRST-CLASS MAKERS, will be sold as LOWER PRICES for cash or on INSTALLMENTS, or for rent in CITY or COUNTRY, by HORACE WATERS & SON, NO. 481 BROADWAY, THAN EVER BEFORE OFFERED IN NEW-YORK. AGENTS WANTED. GREAT INDUCEMENTS TO THE TRADE.

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A GENTLEMAN OF HIGHEST RESPECTAbility and position, desires a party with $10,000 to join him in the manufacture, in this City, under patents for all the States, of an article of universal use; business lucrative and unattended with the usual risks; a desirable opportunity. Address MANUFACTURE, Station H, Post-office.

A RARE CHANCE FOR A MAN WITH A few thousand dollars to buy a valuable patent; or will sell State rights low for cash; 150 per cent. can be made. Principals only can address or apply J. F. BENJAMIN, No. 61 Warren-st.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

AT A SPECIAL TERM OF THE SUPREME Court held at Chambers thereof, in the Court-house, in the City of New-York, on the 17th day of March, 1873. Present Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, Justice. MICHAEL J. LOWE against THE WASHINGTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—On reading and filing the petition of George B. Satterlee, Receiver of the Washington Fire Insurance Company, defendant in the above-entitled action, and it appearing to this Court to be necessary and proper that the prayer thereof be granted, now, on motion of Wm. H. Willis, Jr., attorney for said receiver, it is hereby ordered and decreed that the said receiver be, and he hereby is, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to pay a dividend of fifty cents on the dollar of the debts of said The Washington Fire Insurance Company, which have been ascertained, to those persons who have presented their claims as creditors of said Company, as prescribed in and by original section 79, article 3, chapter 8, title 4, Part III. of the Revised Statutes. And it is further ordered and decreed that a notice be published in the manner hereinafter directed, requiring all the creditors of said The Washington Fire Insurance Company to exhibit their claims and become parties to the above-entitled suit within six months from the first publication of this order. And in default thereof, that they be precluded from all benefit of the judgment and decree which shall be made therein, and from any distribution which shall be made under such judgment or decree. And it is further ordered that such notice and a copy of this order be published once a week for six months in the *Daily Register* and *The New-York Times*, two newspapers published in the City of New-York. And it is further ordered that John C. Gray, Esq., a counselor of this Court, be and he hereby is appointed a referee for the purposes in this order. That such publication be made under his direction, and that all such claims be exhibited to said referee. That said referee do hear and determine all such claims as may be contested, and that said referee may report to this Court from time to time upon any or all matters referred to him. And that said receiver be at liberty to apply to this Court for such further directions from time to time as may be proper.

Notice to Creditors of the Washington Fire Insurance Company.—To all whom it may concern: New-York Supreme Court—Michael J. Lowe against The Washington Fire Insurance Company.

Notice is hereby given that an order, of which the foregoing is a copy, has been duly made in the above-entitled action, and that all creditors of said Company are required to exhibit their claims to the undersigned, at his office, No. 9 Nassau-street, in the City of New-York, and to comply with the terms of said order on or before the 25th day of September, 1873.—Dated New-York, March 24, 1873.

mh25-law6mTu JOHN C. GRAY, Referee.

COUNTY COURT—COUNTY OF KINGS.—SARAH T. CORTELYOU, Catherine L. Williamson, Sarah T. Bergen, Anna C. Onderdonk, and Nicholas Cooper against WILLIAM W. WICKES, Jacob Pecare, Isaac Bernstein, and Louisa, his wife, Henry Goldsmith, and Pauline, his wife, Morits Cohn, and Ernestine, his wife, Henry M. Silverman, and Ernestine, his wife, Michael McLaughlin, and ——, his wife, Selim Marks, and ——, his wife, Joel E. Goudsmit, Antonio Gonsales, Felix Garcia, Charles A. Mushlit, William Ferris, Jacob Fuchs, John N. Heubner, Josiah T. Maresan, John McElroy, Jacob Harris, Jeremiah Farhart, Elias P. Needham, Joseph Etsel, Albert Etsel, Peter Lydecker, Frederick Schmidt, Charles H. Ditson, Oliver Ditson, John C. Haynes, Moses Y. Ebbitt, Henry Oakley.—Suit No. 1.—To the defendant, Joel E. Goudsmit: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, at the County Court-house in the City of Brooklyn, New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 44 Court-street, Brooklyn, New-York, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated Brooklyn, June 4, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

N. B.—The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, on the 4th day of June, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN and for the City and County of New-York.—FREDERICK HARTUNG, plaintiff, against AMELIA ADAMSON, John Friedrich, John Anderson, John Fowler, Bernard Brady, Charles Jessup, Louis Marber, Adolph Simis, William H. May, Mr. Woernberg, Mr. Smith, defendants.—To the defendants and each of them: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the City and County of New-York, at the new Court-house, in the City of New-York, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 23 Chambers-street, New-York City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated New-York, June 10, 1873. J. H. CORNELL, Plaintiff's Attorney.

The summons and complaint in this action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the City and County of New-York, on the 13th day of June, 1873.

jy29-law6wTu J. H. CORNELL, Plaintiff's Attorney, No. 23 Chambers-st., New-York.

NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT.—GRIFFITH ROWE, plaintiff, against THOMAS L. SANFORD and DELIA A. SANFORD, his wife, Samuel Cochran, John Reilly, Zephaniah Ayres, James McCandless, John McDonald, Patrick Vesey, Thomas Hagan, Lewis Lehman, James H. Havens, James F. Havens, Jr., and H. Clark, defendants.—Summons for relief.—(Com. not served.)—To the defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was filed on the 4th day of June, 1873, in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the new Court-house in said City, on the 2d day of June, 1873, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers, at their office, No. 291 Broadway, in said City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated June 4, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

N. B.—The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, on the 4th day of June, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

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COUNTY COURT—COUNTY OF KINGS.—SARAH T. CORTELYOU, Catharine L. Williamson, Sarah T. Bergen, Anna C. Onderdonk, and Nicholas Cooper against WILLIAM W. WICKES, Jacob Pecare, Isaac Bernstein, and Louisa, his wife; Henry Goldsmith, and Pauline, his wife; Morits Cohn, and Ernestine, his wife; Henry M. Silverman, and Ernestine, his wife; Michael McLaughlin, and ——, his wife; Selim Marks, and ——, his wife; Joel E. Goudsmit, Antonio Gonsales, Felix Garcia, Charles A. Mushlit, William Ferris, Jacob Fuchs, John N. Heubner, Josiah T. Maresan, John McElroy, Jacob Harris, Jeremiah Farhart, Elias P. Needham, Joseph Etsel, Albert Etsel, Peter Lydecker, Frederick Schmidt, Charles H. Ditson, Oliver Ditson, John C. Haynes, Moses Y. Ebbitt, Henry Oakley.—Suit No. 2.—To the defendant, Joel E. Goudsmit: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, at the County Court-house, in the City of Brooklyn, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber, at his office No. 44 Court-street, Brooklyn, N. Y., within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated June 4, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

N. B.—The complaint in this action was filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, on the 4th day of June, 1873. H. B. HUBBARD, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN and for the City and County of New-York.—FREDERICK HARTUNG, plaintiff, against AMELIA ADAMSON, John Friedrich, John Anderson, John Fowler, Bernard Brady, Charles Jessup, Louis Marber, Adolph Simis,

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VILLE DU HAVRE.....SUMMONT.....Saturday, Aug. 9
LAFAYETTE.....DAUBE.....Saturday, Aug. 23
ST. LAURENT.....SANTELLE.....Saturday, Sept. 6
EUROPE.....LEMARIE.....Saturday, Sept. 20
PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wine) TO HAVRE OR BREST.
First cabin.....$120 | Second cabin.....$75
Excursion tickets at reduced rates.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
American travelers going to, or returning from, the Continent of Europe, by taking this route, have both transit by English railway and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble, and expense.
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NOTE.—Railroad tickets between Paris and Vienna at reduced rates.

STATE LINE.

NEW-YORK TO GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, BELFAST, AND LONDONDERRY.
These elegant new Clyde-built steamers will sail from State Line Pier, Fulton Ferry, Brooklyn, N. Y., as follows:
VIRGINIA.....Wednesday, Aug. 6
ATLANTIC.....
PENNSYLVANIA.....Wednesday, Sept. 3
VIRGINIA.....Wednesday, Sept. 17
And every alternate Wednesday thereafter, taking passengers at through rates to all parts of Great Britain and Ireland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Germany.
Drafts for £1 and upward.
For freight or passage apply to
AUSTIN BALDWIN & CO., Agents,
No. 72 Broadway.
Steerage passage office, No. 45 Broadway.

NATIONAL LINE OF STEAM-SHIPS.

WEEKLY TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
FORTNIGHTLY TO LONDON DIRECT.
From Pier No. 45, foot of 47 North River.
TO QUEENSTOWN AND LIVERPOOL.
SPAIN, Gracie.....Saturday, Aug. 2, at 11 A. M.
ITALY, Grieve.....Saturday, Aug. 9, at 3 P. M.
GREECE, Nichols.....Saturday, Aug. 16, at 11 A. M.
EGYPT, Gradan.....Saturday, Aug. 23, at 3 P. M.
FOR LONDON DIRECT.
DENMARK, Sumner.....Thursday, Aug. 14, at 10 A. M.
Cabin passage, $70, $80, and $90, gold. Steerage, $29, currency. Return tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid steerage tickets from Liverpool, Queenstown, Londonderry, Glasgow, or the Bristol or London, at the lowest rates.
For further information, apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL
(VIA QUEENSTOWN.)
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.
THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class full-power iron screw steam-ships from
PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY, as follows:
NEVADA, Capt. Forsyth.....July 30, 9:30 A. M.
MANHATTAN, Capt. Jas. Price, Jr.....Aug. 6, 3 P. M.
WYOMING, Capt. Morgan.....Aug. 13, 9:30 A. M.
IDAHO, Capt. Guard.....Aug. 20, 3 P. M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. T. W. Freeman.....Aug. 27, 9:30 A. M.
WISCONSIN, Capt. T. W. Freeman.....Sept. 3, 1:30 P. M.
Cabin passage, $80, gold.
Steerage passage, (Office No. 29 Broadway,) $30, currency.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 63 Wall-st.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.

RATES OF FREIGHT REDUCED.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month.
TEUTONIA, Capt. Weir.....July 23
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. Tinklepaugh.....Aug. 23
ONTARIO, Capt. Slocum.....Sept. 23
These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia, and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

HORSE AMERICAN STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO LONDON DIRECT,
Taking passengers and goods to Bergen, Christiania and the principle Norwegian ports.
The splendid new, powerful steam-ship
HACON ADELSTEEN, Capt. Muller,
will leave her dock, Harbeck stores, Brooklyn, on TUESDAY, 5th August.
Price of passage, Currency. Currency.
To London, first cabin.....$60 | Steerage.$30
To Bergen and Christiania, first cabin. 80 | Steerage. 38
The new steam-ship SANCT OLAF will follow on the 19th August.
For freight or passage apply to the general agents of the Company.
FUNCH, EDYE & CO.,
No. 27 South William-st.

NEW-YORK AND HAVANA DIRECT MAIL LINE.

These first-class steam-ships will sail every TUESDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 13 North River, (foot of Cedar-st.,) for Havana direct, as follows:
Steam-ship COLUMBIA, TUESDAY, July 29.
Steam-ship WILMINGTON, TUESDAY, Aug. 5.
Steam-ship MORRO CASTLE, TUESDAY, Aug 12.
Supplementary mail on Pier 2:45 P. M. day of sailing.
For freight or passage (having magnificent accommodations) apply to
WM. P. CLYDE & CO.,
No. 6 Bowling-green.
D. McKellar, Agent in Havana.
March 31, 1873.

DIRECT LINE TO HAVANA.

PROGRESO AND VERA CRUZ.
New-York and Mexican Mail Steam-ship Line, leaving Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M., every Thursday.
CITY OF MERIDA, (Havana only).....July 31
CITY OF HAVANA, (Havana and Nassau).....Aug. 7
CITY OF MEXICO, (Havana and Mexico).....Aug. 14
For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS, No 33 Broadway.

SHIPPING.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S LINE TO

CALIFORNIA, JAPAN, AND CHINA,

VIA PANAMA,
CARRYING MAILS, PASSENGERS, AND FREIGHT TO
ASPINWALL, PANAMA, SANTA MARTHA, GREYTOWN, AND PACIFIC COAST OF MEXICO, CENTRAL AMERICA, PERU, AND CHILI.

Aug. 5.—Steamer RISING STAR, Capt. J. B. Hildreth, will leave Pier No. 42 North River at 12 o'clock noon for Aspinwall direct, connecting at Panama with the steamer NEVADA, Capt. ——, leaving Panama for San Francisco, and calling at San Diego, Acapulco, Manzanillo and Manzanillo; also connecting for all Central American and South Pacific Ports. Departures of 20th each month from New-York connect with the Company's steamer touching at San Benito, Tomala, Salina Cruz, and Port Angel. The splendid steam-ship COSTA RICA will leave San Francisco on or about Aug. 24, for Honolulu, Sandwich Islands.
One of the company's splendid steamers will leave San Francisco Aug. 16, 1873, for Japan and China. For rates of passage, freight, and all further information, apply at Company's office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.
H. J. Bullay, Sup't. Geo. H. Bradbury, Pres't.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.
GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE.
CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA, AND ATLANTIC AND GULF RAILROAD.
TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, AND SATURDAYS.
THE STEAM-SHIPS
ZODIAC, Capt. Chapin, TUESDAY, July 29, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 62 South-st.

MAGNOLIA, Capt. Crenshaw, THURSDAY, July 31, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

FLORIDA, Capt. Mitchell, SATURDAY, Aug. 2, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 93 West-st.

SAN SALVADOR, Capt. Nickerson, SATURDAY, Aug. 2, from Pier No. 43 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT.
Superior accommodations for passengers.
Through rates and bills of lading in connection with Central Railroad of Georgia to all points.
Through rates and bills of lading in connection with the Atlantic and Gulf Freight line.
C. D. OWENS, Agent A., G. & G. R. R., No. 229 Broadway.
GEORGE YONGE, Agent C. R. R., No. 409 Broadway.

THE GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE,
FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,
THE FLORIDA PORTS,
AND THE
SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.
Sailing every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 29 North River.
GEORGIA, Capt. Crowell, Wednesday, July 30.
CHARLESTON, Capt. James Berry, on Saturday, Aug. 2.
Superior accommodations for passengers.
Insurance by this line ONE-HALF PER CENT.
Goods forwarded free of commission.
Passage tickets and bills of lading issued and signed at the office of
JAMES W. QUINTARD & CO., Agents,
No. 177 West-st., (corner of Warren,)
Or WM. P. CLYDE,
No. 6 Bowling-green.
Through freight tariffs. Passage tickets by all routes and to all points in the South and South-west, and further information can be obtained at the office of
BENTLEY D. HASELL,
General Agent Great Southern Freight Line,
No. 317 Broadway.

ATLAS MAIL LINE.

MAIL SERVICE FOR WEST INDIES, HAVANA, VENEZUELA, AND SPANISH MAIN.
The Company's iron screw steamers are appointed to sail as follows: (Loading berth Pier No. 12 North River.)
For Turk's Island and Jamaica,
ATLAS, (new,) Capt. Porter, Aug. 7.
For Port-au-Prince, Savanilla, and Carthagena,
CLARIBEL, Aug. 9.
For freight and passage apply to PIM, FORWOOD & CO., General Agents, No. 56 Wall-st. and No. 59 Pine-st.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one. Their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage, in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and an infinity of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

STEAMBOATS.

STONINGTON LINE
TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE.—DAY LINE.
The entirely new and magnificent steamer RHODE ISLAND, 3,000 tons, is now running daily, (Sundays excepted,) from Pier foot 23d-st., East River, at 2:30 P. M.
Steamer SYLVAN GLEN, from Peck-slip at 2:10 P. M., connects with the RHODE ISLAND, Dry Dock cars from Astor House, Avenue C cars from Chambers-st., and Twenty-third-street cars run direct to above pier.
NIGHT LINE.—Daily, except Sundays, from Pier No. 33 North River, at 5 P. M., steamers STONINGTON and NARRAGANSETT.
Tickets sold at all the principal railroad offices, and state-rooms secured at No. 319 Broadway, corner Thomas-st., and Westcott Express Company's office, No. 785 Broadway, corner 10th-st.; No. 1,302 Broadway, No. 595 6th-av., corner 35th-st.; No. 7 Park-place, and No. 327 Washington-st., Brooklyn.
D. S. BABCOCK, President.

STEAMER RHODE ISLAND,
From foot 23d-st., East River.
EXCURSION
Tickets to Stonington and return same trip for $3.

FOR ASTORIA, HARLEM, MORRISANIA, AND HIGH BRIDGE.
SUMMER ARRANGEMENTS.
STEAM-BOATS MORRISANIA AND HARLEM WILL LEAVE
MORRISANIA—6:05, 7:20, 8:15, 9:20, 10:15, 11:45 A. M., 1:15, 2:45, 4:15, 5:15, and 6:10 P. M.
FULTON SLIP—7:15, 8:15, 9:15, 10:25, 11:45 A. M.; 1:30, 3:05, 4:15, 5:15, 6:20, and 7:05 P. M. Landing at 8th-st. All boats connect with steamer Catlin for High Bridge.
C. H. LONGSTREET, Superintendent.

CITIZENS' LINE FOR TROY.
Passage $1 50. The elegant steam-boats SUNNYSIDE and POWELL leave Pier No. 49 North River, foot of Leroy-st., daily, Saturdays excepted, at 6 o clock P. M., connecting with morning trains on Rensselaer and Saratoga, Hudon River, Central, and Troy and Boston Railroads for all points north, east, and west. The most direct routes to Saratoga, Lake George, and Montreal. Through tickets sold and baggage checked to destination.
JOHN CORNELL, Superintendent.

DAILY EXCURSION TO GLEN COVE AND SEA CLIFF GROVE.—On and after July 1 steamer ARROWSMITH leaves Pier 36, East River, one slip above Catherine Ferry, daily, (Sundays excepted,) at 9:15 A. M., for Sea Cliff only, and 5 P. M. for Glen Cove, Pavilion Dock, at 7:04 A. M., and Sea Cliff at 7 o'clock A. M., and 2:30 P. M. Single fare, 35 cents. Freight received during the day until 4:45 P. M.

ALBANY AND TROY $2, SARATOGA $3 50, BY DAY LINE BOATS C. VIBBARD and DANIEL DREW. Leave Vestry-st. Pier at 8:30 A. M., and 23d-st., north of Erie Ferry, at 8:45, landing at Yonkers, Tarrytown and Nyack, (by ferry-boat,) Milton, Poughkeepsie, Rhinebeck, Tivoli, Catskill, and Hudson, connecting for all points West and North. Trip tickets to West Point, Cornwall, and Newburg, returning same day, $1. Tickets by special cars and baggage checked to Saratoga and Sharon.

STEAMER HELEN, FOOT OF FRANKLIN-ST., for Red Bank and intermediate stations:

LEAVE NEW-YORK	LEAVE RED BANK.
Saturday, 26th.....3:00 P.M.	Monday, 28th.....6:00 A.M.
Monday, 28th.....11:00 A.M.	Tuesday, 29th.....6:30 A.M.
Tuesday, 29th.....11:30 A.M.	Wednesday, 30th.6:30 A.M.
Wednesday, 30th.12:00 M.	Thursday, 31st...7:00 A.M.
Thursday, 31st..12:30 P.M.	

STEAMER SEA BIRD, FOOT OF FRANKLIN-st., for Red Bank and intermediate stations:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.	LEAVE RED BANK.
Monday, 28th...6:30 A.M.	Monday, 28th...10:30 A.M.
Tuesday, 29th...7:00 A.M.	Tuesday, 29th...11:00 A.M.
Wednesday, 30th.7:30 A.M.	Wednesday, 30...11:30 A.M.
Thursday, 31st..8:00 A.M.	Thursday, 31st.12:00 M.

MORNING LINE FOR SING SING AND MIONA ISLAND.—The steamer THOMAS COLLYER will leave Pier No. 34, from foot of Harrison-st., every morning for Sing Sing at 8 o'clock; 23d-st., at 8:15; landing at Yonkers, Hastings, Dobb's Ferry, Irvington, Sing Sing, Haverstraw, Grassy Point, and Verplanck's. Returning leaves Iona Island at 2 o'clock, Sing Sing at 3 o'clock, arriving in New-York at 5:30.

HARTFORD BOATS—DAILY LINE.—LEAVE Pier No. 24 Peck-slip, East River, daily, (except Sundays,) at 4 o'clock P. M. All persons are forbid trusting any one on account of these steamers.
SAXTON & SEABURY, Freight Agents, No. 112 South-st.
JUNE 1, 1873.

FOR GLEN COVE AND ROSLYN—LANDING at Baylis' Dock, (Fort Schuyler,) Great Neck, Sand's Point, Glen Wood.—Steamer SEAWANHAKA leaves New-York daily, (Sundays excepted,) from Pier No. 1, North River, (Peck-slip,) at 4 P. M., stopping at 23d-st., each way, for passengers only.

FOR STAMFORD AND GREENWICH.—THE beautiful steam-boat NELLY WHITE leaves foot of Market-street every afternoon at 3:30, and 33d-st. at 3:45 o'clock. Returning, leaves Stamford at 7, and Greenwich at 7:35 o'clock A. M.

EAST RIVER ROUTE TO CONEY ISLAND.—Steamer METAMORA leaves daily, 8th-st., East River, at 9:30 A. M., 12:30 and 3:30 P. M.; Peck-slip, 9:50 A. M., 12:50 and 3:50 P. M.; Fulton Ferry, Martin's Pier, Brooklyn, 10 A. M., 1 and 4 P. M.

RONDOUT AND KINGSTON—LANDING AT the Cozzens', Cornwall, Newburg, Marlborough, Milton, Poughkeepsie and Esopus. The steam-boats THOMAS CORNELL and JAMES W. BALDWIN leave Harrison-st., Pier No. 34 North River, daily, at 4 o'clock P. M.

REGULAR CONEY ISLAND BOAT.—DAILY Excursions to the Sea-shore. The steamer GENERAL SEDGWICK will leave Christopher-st., N. R., at 9:15 A. M., 12:15, 3:15 P. M.; Franklin-st. at 9:20, 12:20, 3:20; Pier No. 5 N. R. at 9:30, 12:30, 3:30.

TOURISTS' ROUTE TO HALIFAX AND THE PROVINCES via new steam-ship PALMOUTH, from Portland. Tickets and information furnished at the office of the FALL RIVER, NORWICH, and STONINGTON LINES.

FOR NORWALK AND DANBURY.—THE new steamer AMERICUS leaves daily, foot of Market-st., East River, at 3:15, and 33d-st. at 3:30 P. M., connecting with the Danbury Railroad; cool, invigorating sail; no dust, and about half railroad fare.

FOR BRIDGEPORT AND ALL POINTS ON Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroad.—Fare, $1. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 12 noon and 11 P. M.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, AND THE NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with road.

STEAM-BOATS.

NARRAGANSETT STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.
FALL RIVER LINE
FOR BOSTON, via NEWPORT and FALL RIVER, Daily, (Sundays included,) at 5 P. M.
From Pier No. 28 North River, foot Murray-st.,
The world-renowned steamers
BRISTOL and PROVIDENCE.
Capt. A. G. Simmons. Capt. B. M. Simmons.
The most direct route to Taunton, Middleboro, Plymouth, the New-Bedford, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket, and all points on the South Shore and Cape Cod Railway. Also, through tickets to the WHITE MOUNTAINS, and all principal points of New-England and the Provinces. For tickets and state-rooms, apply at No. 241 Broadway; No. 529 Broadway, corner Spring; Broadway, corner 23d-st.; Dodd's Express offices, No. 944 Broadway; and No. 10 Court-st., Brooklyn, or at the office on the pier.
HALL'S BANDS ENGAGED FOR THE SEASON.
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AFTERNOON BOAT FOR NEWBURG, Poughkeepsie, Rondout, and Kingston, landing at Cozzens, West Point, Cornwall, New-Hamburg, and Milton, the MARY POWELL, from Vestry-st., Pier No. 39, every afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.
Trains leave New-York, from foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., as follows:
Express for Harrisburg, Pittsburg, the West, and South, with Pullman Palace Cars attached, 9:30 A. M., 5, 7, and 8:30 P. M. Sunday, 5, 7, 8:30 P. M.
For Baltimore, Washington, and the South, via "Pennsylvania Air Line," at 8:50 A. M. 3:20 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M., and via P. W. and B. R. R., at 9 A. M., 12:30 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.
Express for Philadelphia, 8:50, 9, 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 3:20, 4, 5, 7, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 7, 8:30, and 9 P. M.
For Philadelphia, via Kensington, at 7 A. M., 6:10 P. M. Sunday, 6:10 P. M.
For Newark at 6, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8:10, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 5:10, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:30, 9, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 9 P. M., and via P. W. and B. R. R., at 9 A. M., 12:30 and 9 P. M. Sunday, 9 P. M.
For Elizabeth, 6:30, 7, 7:40, 8:10, 9, 10, 11 A. M., 12 M., 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7:30, 8, 8:30, 9, 10, 11:30 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 5:20, 6:10, 7, 8, 8:30, and 9 P. M.
For Perth Amboy, 6, 6:30, 7, 8:10, 9, 9:30, 10 A. M., 12 M., 12:30, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 5:20, 5:40, 6, 6:10, 6:30, 7, 7:30, 8, 10 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 5:20, 6:10, and 7 P. M.
For Woodbridge and Perth Amboy, 6 and 10 A. M., 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, and 6 P. M.
For New-Brunswick, 7 and 8:10 A. M., 12 M., 2, 3, 4:10, 5:20, 6:10, 8:30, 9 P. M., and 12 night. Sunday, 6:10, 8:30, and 9 P. M.
For East Millstone, 8:10 A. M., 12 noon, 4:10, 5:20 P. M.
For Lambertville and Flemington, 9 A. M. and 2 P. M.
For Philipsburg and Belvidere, 2 and 4 P. M.
Accommodation for Bordentown, Burlington, and Camden, 7 and 9:30 A. M., 12:30, 3, 5, and 7 P. M.
For Freehold, 7 A. M., 2 and 4 P. M.
For Jamesburg, Pemberton, Camden, 6 A. M., and via boat from Pier No. 1, 3:50 P. M.
Trains arrive as follows: From Pittsburg, 6:50, 10:25 A. M., 6:35 P. M., daily; 5:22, 10:15 A. M., and 3:55 P. M. daily, except Monday. From Washington and Baltimore, via "Pennsylvania Air Line," 6:40 A. M., 4:05 and 9:15 P. M. Sundays, P. W. and B. R. R., 6:40 A. M. Railroad 6:40 A. M., 4:35 and 10:13 P. M. Sunday, 6:40 A. M.
From Philadelphia, 5:22, 6:40, 8:50, 10:15, 11:20, 11:55 A. M., 2:10, 3:55, 4:35, 6:05, 7:25, 9:15, 10:13 P. M. Sunday, 5:22, 6:40, 8:50, 10:25, 11:20 A. M., 3:55, 10:13 P. M.
Ticket-offices, Nos. 526, 435, 271, and 944 Broadway; No. 1 Astor House, and foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts. No. 1 Emigrant ticket-office, No. 3 Bath-house.
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CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY
ALLENTOWN LINE TO THE WEST.
Passenger and Freight station in New-York, foot of Liberty-st. Connects at Somerville with South Branch Railroad; at Hampton Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad; at Phillipsburg with Lehigh and Susquehanna Division; also, with Lehigh Valley Railroad. Direct line to Harrisburg, Pittsburg, and the West; also, to Central Pennsylvania and New-York State.
SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.
Commencing June 30, 1873.—Leave New-York as follows:
4:30 A. M.—News train for Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Sharon, &c.
6:00 A. M.—Way train for Somerville.
7:00 A. M.—Way train for Flemington, Easton, Belvidere, Bath, Mauch Chunk, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, Mahanoy City, Mt. Carmel, Hazleton, Tunkhannock, Towanda, Waverly, &c. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.
9:00 A. M.—Morning Express, daily, (except Sundays,) for Easton, Allentown, Harrisburg, and the West. Connects at Somerville for Flemington; at Easton for Mauch Chunk, Tamaqua, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Towanda, Waverly, &c., with through cars to Danville, Williamsport, &c.
10:15 A. M. and 12:00 M.—Way trains for Somerville.
12:30 P. M.—Express for Huntingdon, Easton, Bath, Allentown, Mauch Chunk, Mahanoy City, Hazleton, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Reading, Columbia, Lancaster, Ephrata, Pottsville, Harrisburg, &c.
2:30 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Belvidere.
3:30 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.
4:00 P. M.—Way train for Easton, Allentown, and Mauch Chunk. Connects at Junction with Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.
4:30 P. M.—Way train for Somerville and Flemington.
5:00 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.
5:15 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.
5:30 P. M.—Evening Express, daily for Easton, Belvidere, Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Chicago, &c.
6:00 and 7:00 P. M.—Way train for Somerville.
7:30 P. M.—(Emigrant)—For Easton.
9:15 and 11:30 P. M.—Way train for Plainfield.
For Elizabeth at 4:30, 5:30, 6, 6:20, 6:45, 7, 7:30, 8, 8:45, 9, 9:30, 10:15, 11, 11:45 A. M.; 12 M., 12:50, 1, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 3:45, 4, 4:15, 4:30, 4:45, 5, 5:15, 5:30, 5:45, 6, 6:20, 7, 7:30, 7:45, 9:20, 9:15, 10:30, 11:30, 12 P. M.
R. R. RICKER,
Superintendent and Engineer.
H. P. Baldwin, General Passenger Agent.

SOUTH-SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.
Trains depart and arrive at Roosevelt and Grand-street Ferries, New-York:

Depart.	Arrive.
8:10 A. M.—Mail for Patchogue, connecting Rockaway and Hempstead.	6:05 P. M.
9:40 A. M.—Rockaway Express.	6:52 P. M.
10:40 A. M.—Islip Accommodation, connect Hempstead and Rockaway Beach.	4:30 P. M.
1:40 P. M.—Babylon Acc'n, connect Hempstead and Rockaway Beach.	10:35 P. M.
3:40 P. M.—Babylon Express, connect Hempstead and Rockaway Beach.	9:45 A. M.
4:10 P. M.—Fire Island and Patchogue Ex.	10:05 A. M.
4:40 P. M.—Patchogue Accommodation, connecting Rockaway and Hempstead.	9:00 A. M.
5:10 P. M.—Hempstead and Rockaway Ex.	8:40 A. M.
5:40 P. M.—Islip Acc'n, connecting Hempstead and Rockaway.	8:05 A. M.
6:40 P. M.—Babylon Acc'n, connecting Hempstead and Rockaway.	6:46 A. M.
9:30 A. M.—Sundays only, from Bushwick av. for Patchogue, Hempstead, and Rockaway Beach, arriving at Bushwick at.	7:00 P. M.

Baggage checked at Roosevelt and Grand-street Ferries, New-York; or South 8th-st., Brooklyn.
L. S. CANFIELD, Superintendent.

NEW-YORK, NEW-HAVEN AND HARTFORD RAILROAD.
Passenger Station in New-York, Grand Central Depot. Entrance on 42d-st.
TRAINS LEAVE NEW-YORK.
Boston Express via Springfield, at 8:05 and 10 A. M. and 8:05 P. M., via Shore Line, at 9:30 A. M. and 7 P. M.
Trains for New-Haven leave at 7:05, 8:05, (Ex.,) 9:05, 10, (Ex.,) A. M.; 12 M.; 1, (Ex.,) 3, (Ex.,) 3:55, 4:35, and 5:10, (Local Ex.,) 8:05, (Ex.,) 9:07, (Ex.,) P. M.
To South Norwalk at 8:15, (Ex.,) and 6:35 P. M.
To Stamford at 10:10 A. M., 2:20, 3:15, 4:45, 5:40, 6, and 7:20 P. M.
The 8:05 P. M. Express stops at New-Rochelle and Port Chester, and the 9:07 P. M. Express at Mount Vernon, Mamaroneck, and New-Rochelle.
Sunday Boston Mail Trains at 7:05 P. M. via Springfield, and 9:07 P. M. via Providence.
Drawing-room Cars on Day Express and Sleeping-cars on Night Express Trains.
Tickets can be purchased at ticket office of Company at Grand Central Depot, or at offices of New-York Transfer Company, No. 944 Broadway, New-York, and No. 1 Court-st., Brooklyn, who will also check baggage from residence to destination.
For further information of particulars see posters at hotels and depots.
JOHN T. MOODY,
Sup't of N. Y. and N. H. Div.

TO CAPE MAY
WITHOUT CHANGE OF CARS.
A through express-train, via Pennsylvania Railroad, leaves New-York, foot of Desbrosses and Cortlandt sts., at 12:30 P. M. Arrives at Cape May, 6:40 P. M. Returning, leaves Cape May at 7:30 A. M. Arrives in New-York at 2:14 P. M.
Rate, New-York to Cape May, $5. Rate, New-York to Cape May and return, $8.
Ticket-offices, Nos. 526, 944, 435, 271 Broadway, and No. 1 Astor House.
D. M. BOYD, Jr.,
General Passenger Agent.
A. J. Cassatt, General Manager.

AUCTION SALES.

ADMINISTRATORS' SALE OF STOCK.—A HOLDER'S OPTION TO TAKE NT PAR 341 SHARES OF THE NEW STOCK OF THE LACKAWANNA IRON AND COAL COMPANY.—There will be sold for cash to the highest bidder at public auction, at the Exchange Sales-room, in Trinity Building, No. 111 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 29th day of July, 1873, at 12:30 o'clock P. M., by R. H. Ludlow & Co., Auctioneers, the option to take 341 shares of the new stock of the Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company, which option belongs to the estate of Samuel Mason, late of the City of New-York, deceased, as holder of 512 shares of the present stock of said Company. The terms of sale will be announced at the time of sale by the auctioneers, and full information respecting the option may be had on application to the auctioneers, or to the administrators at the office of Barney, Butler & Parsons, No. 111 Broadway, or of Samuel Newell, No. 11 Pine-st.
NEW-YORK, July 19, 1873.
JOHN J. MARSH, } Administrators.
T. E. STILLMAN, }

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
BOND

THE FREE LABOR BUREAU.

NEW IMPROVEMENTS.

HOW THE INSTITUTION IS WORKED—THE NEW CONTRASTED WITH THE OLD SYSTEM.

The Free Labor Bureau, Nos. 8 and 10 Clinton-place, corner of Mercer-street, has now become a useful and valuable branch of the Department of Charities and Correction. A large number of improvements have been made in the working of the institution, and also on the premises. Instead of doing all the work in a couple of dirty rooms, disgusting both to the persons waiting to obtain employment and to those who desire help, the whole premises are now used in a systematic manner, and the employer meets the help in a reception-room clean and neatly furnished.

The premises are divided into several departments, as can be better understood by detailing the method adopted. The females who desire situations enter the building by the Mercer-street entrance, the door of which opens on a hallway immediately in the rear of the Superintendent's room, and where, from his desk, he can observe all that is going on. The applicant then proceeds to the end of this hallway, where a register is kept by a clerk. The applicant thus states her name, age, nativity, whether married or single, the kind of employment she seeks, her references, and such other matters as would be necessary to secure her good employment. She is then presented with a card on which is a number answering to that on the register; and this becomes her specified number until the end of the year, when, if her conduct is good, she is furnished with a good conduct card for the next year. When a card is forfeited for misconduct, it is cancelled, so that no other person can be at a future time blamed for the wrong-doings of the offender. As soon as the registry is made a boy usher takes the applicant to her department on either the second or third floor.

The second floor is partitioned off in the following order, a description of which will serve to explain the process adopted when an employer makes an application for help:

Room No. 1—Laundresses, cooks, washers, and ironers.

Room No. 2—Cooks and kitchen-workers.

Room No. 3—Dish-washers, pantry-girls, and scrubbers.

Room No. 4—General house-workers.

Room No. 5—Reception-room.

Room No. 6—Complaint-room (explained subsequently).

In Room No. 1 are placed those who combine in the same person the four qualifications mentioned, and only desire to do that particular class of work; while in Room No. 4 are those who perform all housework, including cooking and laundry work.

The third floor is for the better class of female operatives, as follows:

Room No. 7—Nurses and ladies' maids.

Room No. 8—Chamber-maids and waitresses.

Room No. 9—Dress-makers and operators on sewing-machines.

Room No. 10—Library.

Room No. 11—Housekeepers and governesses.

Room No. 12—Reception-room; but to be subsequently fitted up for female clerks, telegraph operators, private female amanuenses, &c.

The applicant, having been shown to the special department to which she belongs, finds a clean room in which she can sit until summoned to meet the person who may desire to engage her. These rooms, so far as any outside intrusion is concerned, are as private as if she were at home; the only persons admitted to them being the superintendent or ushers, whose duty it is to summon them when wanted. When the reporter of THE TIMES visited the premises, each of the rooms was crowded with females desiring employment. Accompanied by the Superintendent, Gen. Thomas W. Egan, a thorough inspection of the premises was made, and the clean condition of everything was apparent. An inquiry elicited the fact that each day, after 4 P. M., the seats, the flooring and the paint-work are properly scrubbed and cleaned.

The entrance for employers is at No. 8 Clinton-place. The applicant for help enters from the street into a wide, marble-paved hallway; thence through a doorway on the right into a neatly-carpeted and furnished room. On the right of this doorway is a desk, inclosed with a glass partition in which are three windows, similar to those used in banking-houses. The nearest to the doorway is labeled the "Employers' Register," the second or middle window the "Complaint Clerk," and the third the "Engagement Register." The applicant has first to register his or her name, residence, &c., at the "Employers' Register" window, where a clerk is in attendance for that purpose. The class of help desired is then asked, and a numbered ticket, specifying by initials the class of servant, is then handed to the applicant. This is taken to a clerk in the adjoining room, (which is the reception or meeting room between employers and employes,) and is by him sent through a dumb waiter to the special department on either the second or third floor. The usher up-stairs then sends down a person suitable for such employment, and with the card sent up by the dumb waiter. The employer then converses with the person thus sent down, and, if found suitable, the employer and employe proceed to the third window, labeled "Engagement Register," where an entry is made of the engagement, terms of payment, address of employer, and such other records as might be deemed advisable for the proper security of both parties. In order to secure an employe from being taken to a house of bad repute, the superintendent has obtained from the police a list of all houses known as such, and in those cases no negotiations are permitted to take place.

A full record having been kept of the engagement, and everything proving satisfactory to the bureau, the engaged help will have to comply with all the terms of the engagement, and if she should leave her employment in less than a week without having very good and sufficient reasons therefor, she loses all the advantages of the assistance to be gained from the bureau. In order to secure fairness on both sides under the circumstances, a complaint clerk is kept in both the employers' and employes' departments. If a hired girl misconducts herself the employer can, by either letter or personal application make a complaint to the bureau, and an entry is made of the same. A thorough inquiry is then made into the circumstances of the case, and if the employer's statement be correct, the employe is dismissed from the institution, her offense posted up on a black-board in the waiting-room for the employes, and her name entered on the "black-book." Should an employer not keep the terms of his or her engagement, the hired girl has the opportunity to make a complaint in Room No. 6, where a clerk is employed to record the same in the complaint-book, with the amount of money which may be due her. A special marshal is instructed to collect the money due, and a record is then made of all the facts in the case. But should the girl's story prove false, her name is at once placed on the "black-book," her offense posted up, and herself promptly dismissed from the institution.

Another department, under the charge of a matron, is established for domestic help who desire a country engagement. For the protection of the hired girls, a very stringent inquiry is made of and about the employer, while at the same time a perfect record is given of the employe's character; so that a person in the country, seeking help from the Labor Bureau, may be satisfied of the honesty and integrity of the person engaged, while the girl at the same time may have the utmost confidence in those who engage her services. This branch of the institution has greatly increased in value lately, as many country persons have been enabled to secure good domestic help with but little labor and with some sense of security in the transaction.

A new plan is to be adopted shortly whereby a good servant will always have her character in her own hands, and a bad one unable to impose on any new employer. The Labor Bureau intend to issue a book to each applicant for employment. On the cover of the book will be the title of the bureau, the registered number of the hired help, and his or her name. Inside will be the rules and regulations of the institution, and the registered number and name of each employe. When a girl hires out, the employer will examine her book, and, if the record be good, can engage her safely. The employer then keeps possession of the book while the girl remains in his or her service, and, when the girl leaves, will enter his or her remarks upon the service rendered while in such employment. Any malicious entry to the damage of the hired girl would render the slanderer liable to punishment in a legal way, while any unfavorable entry would be to the disadvantage of the girl if her conduct was bad. The entries on this book will be duly recorded at the bureau. An employe thus hired out through the bureau would be careful to preserve a good record, as the absence of her book, if not properly accounted for, would be equivalent to a bad character.

In a separate building, in the rear of the one on Clinton-place, but with an entrance for employes on Mercer-street, is the male department. Over this, under direction of the superintendent, is a register clerk, who keeps a record similar to that adopted in the female department. As the male applicants for employment are not so numerous as in the female department, only one clerk is needed to keep the books; the employers making their application at the same place as for female help. The department is divided into two classes—No. 1, ordinary laborers, and No. 2, skilled laborers and clerks. The records of engagements, conduct of employes, &c., are kept as rigidly as in the case of females, and many a good employment has been secured through the kind offices of this institution, while worthy men have thereby secured good employment.

Almost all the improvements that are here recorded have been the result of the last six weeks' labor, since the present Superintendent has taken charge of the institution. How the institution was conducted before, when under the superintendence of J. Donahue, may be gathered from the report made to the Mayor. In order to show that the bureau was, or should be, an institution that deserved to be supported, incorrect daily and monthly reports were sent in to the Commissioners—reports that could not be verified by the books of the institution. The Superintendent then received $5,500 per year, and had several employes under him at high salaries; but beyond an occasional "look in upon" the bureau, it is not known that any harder work was done by these men beyond taking their pay. The following is the aggregate by years of the daily and monthly reports of females and males furnished with employment, with the actual figures collated from the books:

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Reported Number.	Actual Number.	Number Overstated.
1870	29,318	22,739	7,079
1871	39,121	23,595	15,526
1872	39,506	26,440	12,065
1873 (six months)	17,388	14,158	3,230
Total	194,332	86,932	37,900

MALE DEPARTMENT.

Date.	Reported Number.	Actual Number.	Number Overstated.
1870	4,986	3,778	1,208
1871	3,937	2,446	1,491
1872	6,436	3,751	2,685
1873 (six months)	2,501	1,509	992
Total	18,860	11,484	7,376

It was believed that under the Reform movement, and with the energetic efforts of the new Superintendent, such a reform would have been instituted in the bureau as would have kept it, as it should be, entirely free from politics; but on Monday last the whole working of the bureau was upset by the sudden dismissal of five clerks who had, by former service, become perfectly conversant with the plan of operations in the institution. In consequence of this sudden change, the registry desks of both the male and female departments were on Monday left without a clerk, and several of the girls could not be supplied with the tickets by which they are designated. It is evident that there are some who wish to turn the Labor Bureau into a political machine. The three new clerks, who have been supplied to fill the places of those who had been dismissed, are known to have been allied to the Tammany party when under the dominion of "the Ring." One of the new clerks is named Charles H. Petree, and formerly held the office of Librarian or Assistant Librarian at the City Hall, during the "piping days of Tammany;" another bears the name of Albert Hartman, and is closely related to the Tammany Judge Tony Hartman; and the third is Francis H. Nugent, well known around the Court-house and City Hall at the time when Tweed was in power. Neither one of these three was appointed on account of his knowledge of the business of the Labor Bureau, and in consequence of this a great confusion was created on Monday. It is understood that each of these new clerks is to receive a far higher salary than those who have been dismissed, although less able to perform the duties.

THE RING PROSECUTIONS.

THE GRAND JURY AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

It was rumored recently that certain statements concerning the Ring prosecutions, severely reflecting upon the conduct of one of the Assistant District Attorneys, were to be made public. It was asserted that this official had shown a notable want of that hearty co-operation with the late Grand Jury of the Court of Oyer and Terminer, so essential to securing the ends of justice. It was mysteriously hinted that the Assistant District Attorney referred to had repeatedly advised that bills of indictment proposed by the Grand Jury should not be drawn up, because they were untenable, and that in one case the drawing up of a proposed indictment of Tweed, or another of the Ring thieves, was delayed until the Grand Jury was discharged. The rumor, as circulated, entirely exculpated District Attorney Phelps, and laid all the blame in the matter upon Assistant District Attorney Allen, who, it was said, had the most to do with it. A reporter of THE TIMES visited Mr. Charles Partridge, the foreman of the Grand Jury, who, it was alleged, had a story to tell; but that gentleman, it was found, had but little to say, although he allowed the reporter to infer that certain exposures might in due time make their appearance. Among other things, he stated as his opinion that if any of the District Attorneys were to blame it was Mr. Allen. Mr. Phelps, he said, had always appeared very willing to assist the Grand Jury in their work, and he had no fault to find with him. A bill of indictment, suggested by Mr. Taintor, a gentleman employed in Controller Green's office, Mr. Partridge said, had met with much favor from the Grand Jury. This indictment was not made, as was hoped, and such failure was, in his opinion, to be regretted. Inquiries were also made in the District Attorney's office in relation to the rumors afloat, which were magnified in importance by stories of proposed removals in the office. There was an authoritative contradiction given, and it was stated that the entire District Attorney's office shared all responsibility with Mr. Allen for his advice to, and acts concerning, the Grand Jury. Mr. Allen had charge of all details in reference to the Ring cases, and only advised with the jurors after due consultation with the office or with the knowledge and consent of Mr. Phelps, he having full confidence in his judgment and integrity.

Mr. Allen, with whom a conversation was held in relation to the rumors, stated that he had heard of them for the first time, and was surprised that anybody could charge him with lukewarmness in a cause in which he had enlisted with all his energy and zeal, and one which he would rejoice to see brought to a successful issue.

Mr. Allen said that he had, with the consent of the District Attorney, given the counsel engaged in the prosecution of Tweed and others, including Mr. Taintor, every facility possible in the office to push forward their inquiries and collect the proofs they thought necessary to find indictments or to use as testimony in court. Mr. Taintor was supplied with subpœnas enabling him to call witnesses and make examinations of the City banks, where it was thought any valuable information could be elicited, and the Grand Jury was treated, he said, with every reasonable courtesy. It was usual to tender advice to the Grand Jury when it was asked for, and to suggest flaws in bills of indictment ordered to be drawn up. This, Mr. Allen said, he had done on several occasions. On no occasion, however, had he advised or suggested anything that did not meet with the approbation of Mr. Phelps or some of his brother attorneys, unless the bill was so obviously faulty as to need no consultation with others.

Mr. Phelps, Mr. Allen said, had stated that while he was ready to prosecute any indictment that would stand against those charged with City frauds, he was unwilling to prosecute one of whose soundness there was grave doubts. The policy of the District Attorney's office was to make a record of legal victories and not of defeats. The loss of any one of these Ring cases was certain to endanger the success of the others. There were already a large number of indictments, Mr. Allen said, in the pigeon-holes of the office, which were little better than waste paper, because of ill-advised and ill-digested action on the part of Grand Juries. In relation to indictments ordered to be drawn up by Mr. Partridge's Grand Jury, Mr. Allen stated that the minutes of that Grand Jury would show that all work ordered had been properly attended to.

MAILING OBSCENE LITERATURE.

An Italian named Carmello Bertolini was arrested yesterday at No. 522 Fifth-avenue, South Brooklyn, and arraigned before Commissioner Winslow, on a charge of sending obscene literature through the mails. The circumstances which led to the offense, as detailed in the evidence, disclose a singular case of immorality, jealousy, and persistent revenge. The complainant is Mr. Michael Arthur, a leather-dealer of No. 84 Gold-street, New-York, in whose employ was a Mrs. Ellen Goodrich, a young widow, of No. 353 Degraw-street. In September, 1871, the latter met Bertolini in a Court-street car, on leaving which the Italian followed her and requested her acquaintance. He repeated his effort, and finally succeeded in establishing an intimacy with the widow, which led almost to her ruin. A few months since Mrs. Goodrich received and accepted an offer of marriage, and tried to shake off Bertolini. On finding that she was resolute in her determination the Italian, after striking her before her own door, wrote a history of their acquaintance, with, as now claimed, many exaggerations, and, having it printed in pamphlet form, mailed copies to many of Mrs. Goodrich's acquaintances. Mr. Arthur, her employer, received one of the obscene circulars and caused the arrest of Bertolini. After hearing the evidence of the plaintiff and Mrs. Goodrich, Commissioner Winslow decided to hold the prisoner in $2,500 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

THE BROOKLYN TRUST COMPANY.

The stockholders of the Brooklyn Trust Company will meet during the present week to decide upon the advisability of resuming business. The depositors are confident of receiving a full settlement of their claims, and the public excitement in relation to the company has subsided. It was yesterday ascertained that an investigation of the company's accounts was to have been commenced by a committee of the directors on the evening of the day on which the late President, E. S. Mills, was drowned at Coney Island.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COURT.

The July term of the County Court and Court of Sessions for Westchester County commenced at the Court-house, White Plains, yesterday, before Hon. S. D. Gifford, County Judge, and Associate Justices of Sessions, Howe and Silkman. The principal case to be presented to the Grand Jury is that of Peter Terrill, charged with murdering Gilbert H. Robinson at Rye Neck, in April, 1870.

THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS.

CONTINUATION OF THE EXAMINATION BY THE SUPERVISORS' COMMITTEE.

The Supervisors' Committee, appointed to investigate complaints, and examine the tax-books of the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards, held their third session yesterday in the Aldermanic Chamber, Supervisor Koch in the chair. A number of property-owners were present, and explained their grievances.

Phelps, Dodge & Co. made a complaint that an average increase had been made of $300 per lot on about thirty-five lots, between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-ninth streets, on the east side of Avenue A. The assessment on one lot had been increased from $900 to $2,000. All the property was unimproved, being high rocks and water lots; and in making the assessment, no regard had been taken of the actual value of the property.

J. Forschom claimed that the valuation on his property on Forty-seventh-street and Fifty-first-street, between First and Second avenues, being $3,000 and $4,500 respectively, was excessive, and should be reduced at least $500 each.

William Collins, of No. 319 East Forty-ninth-street, complained that his lot was valued in 1871 at $1,400, and in 1873 at $2,500, and considered that the amount should be reduced.

Joseph Kohlman, of No. 407 East Forty-sixth-street, claimed that a $4,000 assessment, instead of $4,750, would be a fairer valuation for his property, which rented for less than $40 per month.

Peter Rush, of No. 698 East Fifty-third-street, said that his property had been increased from $5,000 to $8,500 on the assessment books; that he had made no improvements, and that its real value had not increased. His next neighbor's property had ten feet more frontage, and was only assessed the same amount.

R. H. Beckwith complained that in two years his assessment had been increased for $5,000 to $13,000, and that the property at best would only realise about $1,600 per year from rental.

Warren Carl, of No. 539 Madison-avenue, owned two houses, which are assessed at $25,000 each, which is more than sixty per cent. of their value. They should be reduced to $20,000.

Adon Smith, corner of Forty-eighth-street and Madison-avenue, complained that one of his houses had been increased from $25,000 to $30,000; another from $35,000 to $40,000, and one vacant lot adjoining had been assessed at $8,000. He claimed that he could have got more for the property in 1871 than at the present time, and that the property had depreciated at least $20,000 by the erection of the Grand Central Depot.

Leonard Kurtz, of Fifty-fifth-street and Seventh-avenue, said his house was assessed at $10,000, while his next neighbor's house was assessed at $9,000; and that a fair valuation of each would not make either higher than $6,500.

Patrick Kearney, of No. 617 Lexington-avenue, wanted his assessment reduced from $12,000 to $8,500, as the property would have sold at a higher rate in 1868 than at the present time.

Thomas Casey, of Seventy-fifth-street, between Avenue A and First-avenue, complained that his lots had been assessed at $1,250, being an increase of $500 per lot, without any improvements having been made upon them.

Dr. F. Segur, of Fifty-sixth-street, between Second and Third avenues, complained that his lots had been increased from $900 to $1,500 each, which he considered overvaluation. He had already paid an assessment for sewerage to the amount of $351, and up to the present time there was neither gas, water, nor pavement near his property, which is covered by thirty feet of rock. The petitioner complained that his assessment on the property No. 718 Lexington-avenue was too high by $2,000.

Mrs. A. C. Bassford, of Forty-sixth-street and Fourth-avenue, wanted her assessment reduced from $9,500 to $7,000 or $7,500, and she considered that amount to be excessive.

Solle Brothers, the builders, complained that the assessment had not been properly equalised, and that their property, situated in various places in the Nineteenth Ward, had been increased from $34,000 to $115,000, without any equivalent improvement. He considered that $50,000 would be a fair valuation; but if the assessment was equalised he would not object to his property being assessed at $60,000. The assessment on one piece of property had been increased from $9,000 last year, to $20,000 this year.

Levi Jacobs, of No. 307 East Fiftieth-street, complained that he was assessed for $7,250, for property that he could not realise more than $10,000 cash for, and for which he only asked, on easy terms, $13,000. He wished the valuation reduced to $6,000.

Charles Sheffer complained for several small property-holders on Seventy-third-street, near First-avenue. He asserted that he had protested against the last year's assessment, as the property was mainly hills and rocks, twenty to twenty-two feet high, and covered with shanties. The houses in the vicinity had several times been robbed of washing, jewelry, silver, &c., and no protection was to be had. $19,000 had been paid for property which had not realized three per cent. He thought a fair valuation would be $2,000 for the lots, and $5,000 for the houses.

J. Brady, of No. 8 Mitchell-place, (Forty-ninth-street,) between First-avenue and Avenue A, complained that the assessment of $6,500 was higher than the property would realize if sold. He claimed that $4,000 was high enough.

Mr. Rosenblatt, of No. 325 East Fifty-seventh-street, wanted his assessment reduced from $8,000 to $5,000.

James Fetterich complained that he had last year been assessed for finished houses on the block between Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh streets on Sixth-avenue, where the property was then being built, and had produced no revenue until after January, 1873. And of the members of the Committee of Seventy, he said, had offered to get the amount reduced by one-fourth if he were only willing to pay for it; but Mr. Fetterich claimed the reduction of $105,000 as a right, on the ground stated. He also complained that his house, on Sixty-first-street near Lexington-avenue, was assessed at $17,500, while the next house was only assessed at $10,000.

B. J. Disbrow, of No. 969 East Seventy-eighth-street, complained that he was assessed at $4,000 and $4,500 for two houses which only cost $6,000, and he thought the assessment should be reduced to $3,000 each, as what improvements had been made had already cost him $1,500.

Maria J. Mather, of No. 139 East Sixty-sixth street, had been assessed at $9,000 for a house she could not rent, and had, therefore, been compelled to live in. Of the three neighboring houses, two were empty, and she considered $7,000 was even too high an assessment.

P. Schuman said he had bought property for $30,000 less than a year than it was sold for in 1871, and yet the assessment was increased from $40,000 to $50,000, when it should have been reduced to $30,000. The eight lots were situated on Fifty-eighth-street, near Third-avenue, and were partially vacant.

J. F. Boaniski, of Sixty-eighth-street, complained that he had been assessed for sixty-eight feet when he only had sixty-six feet; that to oblige his neighbors he had taken down a stable on the rear of his property, and thus reduced its value, and for this improvement he had been assessed an extra $7,000, when it was really a loss. He claimed that the $18,000 should again be reduced to $11,000.

The committee then adjourned to this forenoon at 11 o'clock.

MINOR CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

In the Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, Michael Donohue, John Fisher, John Seidel, and William Derivan were held in $1,000 bail each to answer a charge prefewred by Health Inspector L. A. Goldschmidt, of rendering tallow at No. 613 West Twenty-eighth-street, without a permit from the Board of Health. Charles Parker (colored) was committed for trial by Justice Cox, yesterday, on complaint of Margaret O'Neil, who charged the prisoner with stabbing her in the arm, and stealing from her a dress valued at $35. Justice Cox yesterday committed August G. Nolter on a charge of breaking into the premises of John Hagenbircher, at No. 318 Eighth-avenue, and attempting to steal a quantity of razors. At Essex Market Police Court, yesterday, Victor C. Julien, of No. 409 Second-avenue, was committed in $5,000 to answer a charge of stealing $3,350 worth of watches, gold and silver, ear-rings, bracelets, and crosses from Alfred Ricard, from whom he engaged a room on the 14th inst. The accused was arrested in Washington and brought on here on Saturday. He admitted having stolen the property, but said he was led to it by starvation. Martha McCutchen and Charles Phillips were yesterday held by Judge Coulter to answer for the theft of jewelry valued at $132 from Mrs. Parliman, No. 9,181 Third-avenue. A part of the stolen property was recovered. James T. Sheridan, a domestic, aged twenty, was yesterday committed by Judge Coulter, of the Yorkville Police Court, on a charge of robbing his employer, Charles G. Wolff, of No. 65 East Fifty-third-street, of jewelry valued at $100. The stolen property was found in the prisoner's possession. Michael McGrath, of No. 434 East Thirteenth-street, accidentally fell from his cart yesterday and sustained serious injuries. Edward Thomas, aged twenty-seven, residing at Port Chester, was seriously injured yesterday by a pile of lumber falling upon him at B. F. Janes' lumber yard, No. 78 Rutgers-slip; taken to Bellevue Hospital. Samuel Ginsburg, aged twelve, of No. 105 Bayard-street, was knocked down and run over by a stage at the corner of Broadway and Bleecker-street and severely injured. Christopher Rush, aged thirty-nine, fell out of a second-story window of his residence, No. 56 Macdougal-street, yesterday morning, and sustained serious injuries. Bernard McGuire, aged five years, of No. 355 Madison-street, fell from the fifth story of the above-named premises, and was fatally injured. George Cochrane, aged twenty-four, of No. 415 West Fifty-seventh-street, while at work at Seventy-second-street and Third-avenue, was seriously injured by an embankment caving in upon him. Taken to Bellevue Hospital. Margaret Hudson, aged twenty-one, residing at No. 622 Water-street, while in a despondent frame of mind yesterday attempted to commit suicide by taking morphia. She is expected to recover. Henry Cook, aged thirty-five, of No. 308 Avenue A, fell from a truck he was driving in Eleventh-avenue, and was severely injured. Taken to Bellevue Hospital. Geo. F. Wolff, of No. 313 East Thirty-seventh-street, who said he was a baker, was held for trial yesterday for stealing clothes, valued at $60, from Frank Helmrich, of Thirty-fourth-street and Second-avenue.

THE NORTH RIVER NUISANCES.

FOUR PERSONS ARRESTED YESTERDAY—DEMOLISHING THE OFFAL-SHEDS.

The action taken by the Board of Health yesterday to abate the offal nuisance at the foot of Thirty-eighth-street, North River, gives indication of the determination now evinced to enforce the provisions of the resolution passed on Friday last by that body. At an early hour in the morning Inspectors Gridley, Warder, and O'Hare visited the offal-sheds and rendering establishments of McNell & Donohoe, and finding James Gilmore, the book-keeper, on the premises, sent for Officer Darke, of the Twentieth Police Precinct, who took Gilmore into custody. This was the only employe of McNell & Donohoe at that time on the premises. About 10 o'clock the inspectors found Donohoe, with his engineer, Michael Keravan, and two laborers named John A. Dill and John Fisher, engaged in the rendering-sheds in Thirty-eighth-street. They applied to the Twentieth Precinct for a body of police to assist them in arresting the party, and officers Rancook, Crowe, Loper, and Darke were detailed for that purpose. As a large crowd of laborers was at this time assembled in the neighborhood, many of whom received employment in the rendering business, it was feared that opposition would be offered in making the arrests. Donohoe and his employes, however, submitted quietly, and were brought up at Jefferson Market before Justice Cox, and gave bail in $500 each to appear in court for violation of the Sanitary Code. James Gilmore, the book-keeper, was also held in the same sum.

Under these circumstances, business was completely suspended in the offal stalls and rendering sheds, and the atmosphere of the entire neighborhood was comparatively free from offensive odors. The business of the New-York Rendering Company also appeared to be partially suspended. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon, one of the health officers applied to the Superintendent of the company at the dock for permission to go out with one of the boats to ascertain whether the rendering business is carried on by the company outside of the City boundary, which extends on the north side from Spuyten Duyvil Creek to the Narrows in the Bay. The Superintendent declined giving the Inspector permission to go by the company's boat, and told him he should provide a boat for himself if he wished to inspect their premises on the other side. On being questioned by a TIMES reporter on the subject, the Superintendent stated that he did not refuse the Inspector permission to go by the rendering-boat. A change in the programme had been made, he said, and the boat would not leave that afternoon. About an hour later the President and Secretary of the company drove down to the dock, and it is supposed that the appearance of the Health Inspector had something to do with their visit.

The offal-abeds belonging to O'Neil, in Thirty-ninth-street, were being taken down in the afternoon by some of his own men, who proceeded with the work with evident reluctance. Two carpenters and three laborers were engaged, and about ten or twelve of the sheds were taken down at 4 o'clock.

The general condition of the docks at this part of the river is such as to call for the especial attention of the Board of Health. It is not alone from the offal shed of O'Neil and the dock of the New-York Rendering Company that the intolerable stench arises which poisons the surrounding atmosphere. Three or four sewers which carry down the dregs of the slaughtering-houses of the entire neighborhood discharge themselves at this point, and the flow of the river is so completely obstructed by the manure and offal sloops drawn up on either side, that the water is thick with filth and jet black with fœtid matter. It is a thousand times worse than any stagnant cesspool, and yet in this filthy slush a number of boys were bathing.

The Rendering Company have promised the Board of Health that, hereafter, all the cutting up of dead animals, and the rendering of all offal and other animal matter shall be done on board the rendering-boat only in the Lower Bay. They have promised that the boat, on leaving the dock, shall proceed directly to the Narrows and shall remain there during the process of rendering. The dead animals, offal, &c., brought to the dock at the foot of West Thirty-eighth-street, are to be dumped into close boats, and are not to be disturbed in any way while the boats remain at the wharf. Yesterday morning the boat steamed down to the Lower Bay, with a sanitary inspector on board, but it remains to be seen whether this company, who, heretofore, have made promises apparently for the purpose of disregarding them when it suited their interests, will keep their latest pledges to the sanitary authorities.

OUR WATER SUPPLY.

The question of an unfailing water supply for New-York is one of so much importance that every one interested in the City's future has a suggestion to offer in regard to it. It would seem to be accepted generally that the present supply, while not insufficient now, will not continue to be equal to the demands of the increasing population. What New-York will soon be, growing as it has grown in the past, and the quantity of water it will require, it is easy to imagine. And even now nearly double the amount furnished would be used if it flowed as freely as the people need it. A recent article in THE TIMES directed attention to the subject, and a communication from a correspondent, published in Sunday's edition, called attention to the subject of augmenting the supply by bosings on Manhattan Island itself. A reporter called yesterday upon Dr. Wooster, who was known to possess some information concerning borings made by a civil engineer named Sullivan, in this City, some time ago, with a view to furnishing the City with water in this way. The doctor was willing to impart to the public, through THE TIMES, anything he knew about the subject. He said that in 1832 he was acquainted with a very clever civil engineer named Sullivan, a graduate of one of the New-England colleges. At that time the City was supplied by wells, and its population was little more than a fifth of what it is now. Mr. Sullivan agitated the question of supplying water by these borings. Accordingly, a number were made—about eleven, and with a twelve-horse power engine each one supplied ninety gallons a minute. Mr. Sullivan, who has long since been dead, claimed that this supply would be uniform throughout the whole island, as it was in the borings made. His idea was that the water came from the Alleghany Mountains. But the Manhattan Bank then held its charter, subject to a provision that it should keep its water-works going in the rear of the old Chambers-street Theatre, and when the matter came before the Common Council they would not adopt it, the bank "influence" being too much for Mr. Sullivan. Dr. Worster does not at present attach much importance to these borings. He thinks, however, that it is as well it should be generally known that in case any difficulty should occur to the City that it could thus provide itself with a plentiful supply of pure water. The doctor thinks that the best place to supply New-York from would be the Adirondack lakes. There, if the forests are not tampered with, the supply will continue to be inexhaustible, as it has been in the past.

CORONERS' CASES.

Michael Lunney, the Irish 'longshoreman, of No. 46 Charlton-street, who was stabbed at his residence at 11:30 o'clock on the night of the 19th inst., by Peter McKenna, an engineer on a Rio steamer, died in Bellevue Hospital yesterday. Deputy Coroner Cushman made a post-mortem examination, and found two stab wounds which entered the peritoneum and caused death by peritonitis. The facts connected with the case are briefly as follows: McKenna, who was acquainted with Lunney's wife before her marriage, boarded with the family in Charlton-street. Lunney was jealous of him, and on the night in question Lunney, Lunney's wife, and McKenna went to market together, got drunk on the way home, and a quarrel followed, during which Lunney was stabbed by McKenna, who was immediately arrested. Coroner Herrman will hold an inquest in the case on Friday next.... James Coulson, a reporter attached to the New-York *Herald*, on Wednesday night last, went to the steam-ship City of Chester to write a description of that vessel, which was then lying at Pier No. 45 North River. Since that time he was not seen alive. On Saturday the body of a young man was found in the East River, at the foot of Rivington-street. It was very much decomposed, and Deputy Coroner Leo, who made an examination, could not discover any marks of violence. A letter addressed "My Dear Jimmy," and signed "Your affectionate brother, Thomas Coulson, Cootehill, Ireland," with a number of tickets for the Michael Kelly benefit base-ball game, were found on the clothing of deceased. Yesterday the body was identified as that of Mr. Coulson.

FATAL STABBING AFFRAY.

Yesterday evening at 6 o'clock Jeremiah Connor, a boy fourteen years old, was standing in front of his residence, No. 51 Mulberry-street, conversing with some other boys, when a boy named Lyons, twelve years old, residing at No. 65 Mott-street, came up and began a quarrel with Connor. Connor kicked Lyons in the stomach, when Lyons jumping back, snatched a clasp-knife from the hand of a boy named Burke, who was standing by, and stabbed Connor under the right shoulder. He then escaped. Connor was carried to the Sixth Precinct Station, whence he was removed to the Park Hospital by Dr. Joyce. On examining the wound it was found to be of a fatal character, the knife having evidently entered and passed through the lung, and severed several arteries. Capt. Kennedy and Detective Dolan are in search of Lyons.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The Board of Assistant Aldermen met yesterday, and adjourned to Monday for want of a quorum.

Mr. Ackert, one of the nominees for Police Justice, had a long interview yesterday with Mayor Havemeyer.

Chamberlain Lane reports that the receipts last week were $366,730 50, and the payments $1,001,131 59. The amount in the Treasury July 26, was $9,394,904 81.

The annual festival of the pupils of the Turn school of the New-York Turnverein, at Jones' Wood, yesterday, attracted a large attendance. An exhibition of gymnastics was given.

We are once more indebted to the management of the White Star line, and to the officers of the Adriatic—at this port Sunday night, with dates later by three days than those already at hand—for valued additions to our European files.

The Hand-in-Hand Bund, a German co-operative organization, gave a picnic and Summer night's festival at Hamilton Park yesterday, in which several German vocal societies assisted. The programme included a promenade concert and an illumination in the evening.

Matthew Bussey, who was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment at Sing Sing for shooting a man in Greene-street, in January last, and who escaped from prison on Friday last, was captured in this City by Detective Van Gerichten, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, on Saturday night, and taken back to his old quarters yesterday.

Controller Green reports the following amounts paid yesterday into the City Treasury: Arrears of taxes, assessments, water rents, and interest, $15,497 19; assessments for street-openings, improvements, and interest, $8,073 05; water rents and penalties, $94,561 14; market rents and fees, $736 43; licenses, $38 25; sales of *City Record*, $10 44; total, $48,846 50.

Mr. F. C. Bowen, the counsel of Carl Vogt, who is in custody on a charge of murdering the Chevalier Du Bois de Bianco, in Brussels, upward of a year since, recently addressed a communication to the Secretary of State, inquiring if there was any truth in the statement that he intended to release the prisoner. The Secretary of State replied that the matter was still under consideration.

About 6:30 A. M. yesterday a fire occurred in the two-story frame buildings Nos. 220 and 222 East Thirty-eighth-street, occupied by Patrick McMahon as a rag and junk shop, causing $500 damage to stock and buildings; no insurance. At 7 A. M. a fire occurred in the liquor-store of Patrick McDonald, No. 479 Ninth-avenue, resulting in $150 damage to stock and building; insured. At 11:30 A. M. yesterday a fire occurred in the two-story frame dwelling of Jacob Meyer, in Tenth-avenue, near Seventy-sixth-street, caused by children setting fire to some shavings. Damage $50.

BROOKLYN.

The Williamsburg Dispensary and Hospital was, yesterday, opened for the reception of patients.

On Sunday only 3,681 persons visited Prospect Park, the attendance for the preceding week numbering 217,460.

It seemed to be generally understood yesterday that the vacant Police Commissionership would be filled without doubt during the present week.

During last week the four Pound-masters received 180 dogs, of which 164 were killed, fifteen kept in pound awaiting claimants, and one only returned to the owner.

Yesterday the fourth and last of the twenty-five ton bridge anchor plates was moved from the foundry in South Brooklyn to the anchorage ground in James-street, drawn by twenty horses.

The launching of the new steam-ship built for Messrs. Alexandre & Sons is to take place to-morrow, at 2 P. M., from J. Englis' yard, Greenpoint. She is to be named City of New-York, and is longer than any of her sister ships.

Yesterday, the attention of Coroner Jones was called to the condition of Mary McMullin, who was lying at No. 56 Columbia-street in a critical condition from the effects of malpractice. A physician, who was called to see her, discovered in her trunk the body of a new-born infant, which she told her neighbors she had thrown into the river. No autemortem statement has been taken, as the attending physicians anticipate the recovery of the woman.

Mr. Joseph Marshall left his place of business, No. 241 Fulton-street, on the afternoon of the 20th inst., and has not been seen since. The missing merchant was an Englishman by birth, and, with his wife, conducted a ladies' furnishing-store at the above number. When leaving, he carried a considerable amount of money with him, and, as the store was off yesterday seized the store for debt, it is supposed that Mr. Marshall collected a considerable amount and deserted his business and family.

LONG ISLAND.

The copious and widespread showers of Saturday night and Sunday so effectually quenched the forest fires at the east end of Long Island that no further danger from them is apprehended.

The adjourned examination of Mrs. Sarah Layman, for the alleged attempt to murder her husband, George Layman, was resumed yesterday, and again adjourned after the cross-examination of Mr. Layman.

It is understood that the Johnson Brothers, the well-known New-York pool-sellers, late last week, closed negotiations with Mr. James Finley for the purchase of the Suffolk Course, at Huntington. They propose immediately to commence the training of horses, and to widen and level the track, erect a hotel and a cost of about $8,000, with a grand and judges' stands, and to inclose the entire lot with a high board fence. The track will be governed by the rules of the National Association.

The prize-fighter Seddons, with George Lees and John Murphy, arrested at Rockaway on Saturday and lodged in the cells at the Town Hall of Jamaica, were released on bail yesterday by Justice Snedeker, Jamaica. C. Dentar and J. Wiley, of Jamaica, became bondsmen for Murphy, and John Hamilton, of Fourth-street, Williamsburg, for Seddons and Lees. The parties will have an examination to-morrow. It is understood that District Attorney Downing is determined to see that they are properly punished, and will be present at the examination on behalf of the people.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Burglars entered the dwelling of Mr. Palmer, Tenth-avenue, near Third-street, Mount Vernon, on Sunday night, and stole a valuable brooch, an overcoat, and other articles.

The Germans of Morrisania, West